





One of the key messages given by many of the speakers in the 3rd March meeting was the need to more closely involve residents in the production of the new Plan.

The BDRA/BAG has already written to the Leader of Basildon Council, Councillor Baggott, indicating our desire and willingness to help the Council to produce a new Plan which really does benefit residents. As we go to press we have not had any response to our offer.

Proposed Solar Farm Development

Some residents may have seen the following headlines on the Essex Live website recently:-

F Plans for a new solar farm the size of 38 football pitches in Essex have been launched. A planning application for a renewable power station which could power 11,000 homes in Crays Hall Farm, Billericay, was validated by Basildon Borough Council on March 1

n our December 2021 edition we reported on proposals for Solar Farms on land to the east of Billericay. The formal application has now been submitted to Basildon Council for one of these, in the vicinity of Crays Hall Farm.

The BDRA is of course supportive of the need for sustainable energy but is concerned that the drive for sustainability is sometimes clouding consideration of other factors, especially where Green Belt land is involved.

Our council is quite rightly proud of its Green Belt and as reported elsewhere has recently withdrawn its draft Local Plan, partly to ensure that it fully accords with the latest Government pronouncements

on the value of Green Belt. In addition to the Local Plan our Green Belt is also under threat of irreversible change from a number of other directions, and we already play host to one of the boroughs existing Solar Farms.

Basildon Borough Council already has policies for protecting Green Belt and has a good record of applying these diligently. We will be raising our concerns with the Council and encouraging them

to fully consider all the relevant issues, including any other recent decisions in respect of solar farm applications, which might be a guide.



Please save the date for this year's Annual General Meeting which is scheduled for Wednesday 25th May at 7:30pm at Emmanuel Church Hall

We would love a really big turn out this year to say thank you to all our members for their support. More details to follow next month.

Visit the BDRA Website at: www.bdra.org

A Message from the Chair Andy Maddocks

have greatly enjoyed my time over the last 9 years, firstly as Vice Chair and latterly Chair of the Association. From a personal point of view, being involved in many aspects of our Town, the friendships made, particularly amongst the Committee members, have been one of the many rewarding aspects of my role.

It has been important for me to see firsthand the effort and resolve that is brought by our Committees of Volunteers to ensure that this Association continues to thrive and serve the population of our Town. There are many issues that the Association deals with on a day to day basis, which without our Volunteers could not be resolved.

It has been a period very much governed by the Basildon Local Plan, particularly as to how it would affect Billericay.I have had the unstinting support of a specific group of Volunteers who have been dedicated to ensure that any plan is fair to our Town.

Having said all this I now feel that it is time for me to retire from this role at the AGM in May, handing over to somebody else who will lead the Association towards our 100 vear anniversary in a few years time. We are therefore seeking a suitable candidate to replace me and I would welcome hearing from anybody who is interested.



Please contact chairman@ bdra.org for further information

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Letters...



I wanted to say thank you for your Jubilee article on the front page of the March Resident. Using the "Lockdown" WhatsApp group we started in 2020, we contacted neighbours and asked if they would like a Street Party and we were delighted to receive a really positive response along with so many offers of help. My road is now in preparations for our Jubilee street party on the 5th June!

I'm sure many of us remember the games we played and what fancy dress we wore to the 1977 Jubilee with hilarity and fond memories of a great day.

We used your suggested links for the road closure application which were extremely helpful and the council have already been in contact with us (very efficient!) so thanks for the push to get us started.

Regards

A Royal Loving Resident



Do you have special memories of the 1977 Jubilee celebrations, are you planning an event for this Jubilee celebration or even have a memory of a meeting with a member of the Royal Family? We would love to hear from you – photos always welcome!

Email to resident@bdra.org

Dear Editor,

I live in West Cloister, and I would like to bring to your attention the totally inconsiderate parking at the top of Chantry Way with people parking on the single yellow line, both in the afternoons and evenings and obstructing vehicles trying to get to and from West Cloister, High Cloister and Lower Cloister.

This is not helped by the fact that the street light at the top of Chantry Way is still not working six months after it was reported when the new building opened, at night the area is dangerous due to the kerbs, steps and slopes as you come down from the new Chantry Way Building. Any advice?

Concerned Resident

We would encourage as many of the effected residents in the roads adjacent to Chantry Way to report this issue. All issues with the enforcement of parking restriction can be reported online by using the below link or by emailing

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Queens Silver Jubilee – Billericay Procession March 1977

Did you know there is a wonderful piece of film shot by a local resident and gifted to the Billericay Archive showing the "*Silver Jubilee – Billericay Procession March 1977*" which took place along the HIgh Street to mark the celebrations? It's a wonderful piece and worth having a look to see if you recognise anyone!



Go to www.billericcayhistory.org.uk and search for "The Jubilee March 1977" to view this wonderful video.



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No Fault Divorce

by Muntech Kaur, Birkett Long

he Divorce, Dissolution and Separation Act 2020 finally comes into force on 6 April 2022. This brings the biggest change to divorce law in 50 years.

Up until now, a couple who want to divorce either have to have lived apart for at least 2 years or, instead, rely on the other's adultery or unreasonable behaviour. The government has said that it hopes the changes to the law will reduce hostility in divorce and mean that divorcing couples are more likely to work together to resolve other issues.

The existing laws are still available but only until 31 March 2022 when there will be a week's break before the new law comes into force.

These are the main differences to the existing law and procedure for divorce:-

- It will no longer be possible to stop your spouse from divorcing you. Defended divorces become a thing of the past;
- It will now take at least 6 months to get a divorce from

when the application is first made to the court until the divorce is finalised. The idea is that after issuing the application there will be a 'period of reflection'. If during that period the divorce is still going to go ahead, the arrangements for any children and for the finances can be considered. They may of course not necessarily be concluded within this period;

- It won't be possible to ask that your spouse contribute towards the costs involved in the divorce proceedings or the court fee. It will still be possible to come to a private agreement but the court will no longer have the power to force a spouse to make a contribution;
- If both spouses agree, it will be possible for the first time to jointly apply for a divorce. This will require a high level of co-operation throughout the process. There are some provisions for what can happen if during it, co-operation is withdrawn by either spouse.

If you would like advice on getting a divorce please contact us. We offer a free 15 minute initial telephone conversation to assess how we best help you. Tel 01268 824938 or email Muntech.Kaur@birkettlong.co.uk

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It's not just about knowing the law, it's also about the impact we have on our communities

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Billericay's Fabulous Fundraiser – Emily Jackson Bridge

We want to spread some joy amongst our readers by shining the light on a local hero of our own here in Billericay, Emily Jackson Bridge, who raised a whopping £10,729 for Macmillan Cancer Support during the Covid pandemic. Emily's fundraising journey began in September 2020, when her mum Mel could no longer run her coffee morning for Macmillan due to the Covid-19 restrictions. Following this, a cancelled family holiday during October half term gave Emily some inspiration as she decided to raise some money herself. It was here that the Pop-up Shop on her family's driveway began.

Emily sold greeting cards, homemade trinket gifts, and cakes made by her mum to so many of you reading this, as well as other local residents. Emily's dad Daniel promoted the shop as much as possible, with the help of the Billericay Discussion page, and continued to raise funds as well as encouraging people to donate items that could be

City Guilds Oualified sold. It was during November 2021 that Emily hit her $\pounds10,000$ target and raised a final amount of $\pounds10,729$.

Emily told us how much enjoyment she gained from her project 'I really enjoyed being able to help out my community and Macmillan, and I'm really proud of what we've achieved. I've met loads

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of people, and dogs, and even a world record-breaking Tik Tok! I am really grateful for the help that my friends gave me, and of course my mum for all the cakes!'. If there are any other local heroes who have done something great for our community we would love to hear from you! Email us as at **resident@bdra.org**

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On Monday 14th March Chloe was announced the winner of the Fundraising Champion Award at the Basildon Council Volunteer Awards Ceremony. Many Congratulations Chloe!

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ast year's annual Lake Meadows Photographic Competition brought an interesting variety of photos to be judged, some amusing, some beautiful and some quirky. The judges decided to split the adult entries into two sections: Wildlife and General Park. We are pleased to announce the winners.



In the Adult Wildlife section, the winner was Nigel Harris's superb '**Out of the Blue**' photo of a female kingfisher (*left*), which is sometimes seen near the boathouse, if you are lucky!

The other winners in this section were: Sarah Clapton with *'Regal Perch'* and Thomas Mason with *'Daylight Fox'*.

In the Adult General Park section, the winner was Abigail Clapton with **'Autumn'** (below).



The other winners being Lesley Goodman with 'Rest & Play', and Bethany Livermore with 'Framing the Beautiful Landscape'.

The Junior Section winner was a clever shot (*right*) by Finley Walker called **'Spiderman was here'**. Can you find the hidden spider?

Congratulations to all the winners and our grateful thanks to our sponsors – Billericay Lions and Mayflower Rotary Club, for their support.

The photos are certainly inspiring and we hope they will inspire even more people to enter this year's competition, especially more children. This is an easy competition – you can enter up to four photographs, which can be taken on your phone, camera or other device. The judges are



looking for photos that are 'just that bit unusual'. Details of this year's competition are on our website, where all this year's finalists' photos can also be seen. www.lakemeadows.org.uk

Free defibrillator training sessions at the Reading Rooms

efibrillators are an essential part of trying to save the life of someone who's in cardiac arrest. They assess the heart rhythm and can deliver a high energy electric shock, called defibrillation, if it's needed.

We are very lucky to have a high number of defibrillators installed in cases in the High Street and surrounding areas see all the locations below.

It is not essential to be trained to use a defibrillator, anyone can use them, but in order to help people have the confidence to use the machines, should the need ever arise, the Trustees of the Reading Rooms propose to sponsor some free training sessions.

Each session will be held in the Reading Rooms, will last up to two and a half hours and will cover the use of the defibrillator and CPR, the chest compression technique. Up to 12 people can attend each class and it may be of particular interest to people working in or near the High Street. Anyone interested in this invitation should email The Reading Rooms at **chairman@ thereadingrooms.org**

Billericay Bowling Club in Lake Meadows already has a defibrillator on order from the British Heart Foundation and will be encouraging club members to attend an initial pilot session.

Are you part of a group or society that would like to do the same? If so please contact the Reading Rooms so they can book you onto a session.

High St Defibrillator locations

- Phone Box outside Connells
 Estate Agent (24hour)
- Side of Toni & Guys Hairdressers (24hour)
- Side of Bennetts Funeral Directors (24hour)
- Front of Police Station (24hour)
- Billericay Dental Care Alma Link (when open)
- Chantry Centre (24hour)

Other, nearby, defibrillator locations

- Outside Studio 360 -Radford Way (24hour)
- Lake Meadows Side of building next to café (limited access)
- Billericay Train Station -(05:00 - 00:00)
- Billericay Town Football Club – (when in use)



- Billericay Self Storage Radford Crescent (when open)
- Hannikins Community Center – Rosebay Avenue (when open)
- Western Road Surgery –
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- Chapel Street Surgery Chapel Street (0700 - 1830 Mon-Fri)
- Billericay Health Centre Stock Road
- Billericay Cricket Club (24hour)
- BIllericay Rugby Club (when open)
- Barleylands Farm and Farm Office
- Players Lounge



The Billericay Bowling Club

is holding an Open Day on Sunday 8th May, when people are invited to come to the bowling green in Lake Meadows and have a go at Bowls. This is a fun day so if you are interested please contact the co-ordinator to arrange a time slot – **Jenny Hyland 07941 977338**

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BDRA Candidates for May elections

We are continuing to evaluate options for the forthcoming Borough Council elections. Please be assured, whatever we decide it will be in what we believe to be the best interests of the towns residents.

Joint Area Committee Meeting Highlights

St Agnes Road Parking: Contact made with SEPP from which it was discovered that there is a backlog for the introduction of parking restrictions, the request for their introduction here having been partially successful.

Development in Norsey Road (between Headley Rd and Horace Rd): Concerns re the destruction of a considerable number of trees which once formed part of Norsey Wood but were in the garden of the property; however, as no tree preservation order was in place, the tree wardens could do little. Councillor Schrader is currently seeking further information.

Proposed demolition of garages in Salesbury Drive: Concerns about the possible development of the site into residential properties by Waltham Forest Council. The site was used for the parking of cars which would be forced to park in the already crowded Salesbury Drive. Letter and comment forwarded to Councillor Schrader.

New Care Home proposal for G J Staines site

The BDRA has become aware of a proposal to build a 70 bed care home on Green Belt land on Stock Road in the area currently occupied by G J Staines. The location is on the Billericay side of the boundary between Basildon and Chelmsford Borough Councils. A Public Consultation was held in Stock Village Hall on 19th February, however whilst many councillors were informed of the event, disappointingly there was no indication outside the hall to tell of the delights inside and only a limited number of residents of Billericay appear to have been informed. A Planning Application is expected soon.

Membership Secretary Vacancy

Want to get involved with local issues? Our current secretary is joining the BDRA Executive Committee and so we have a vacancy for a Membership Secretary for the Great Burstead and South Green area. The main role is the administration surrounding the distribution of the Resident magazine to the team of Road Reps and being their main point of contact. We are looking for someone who is committed to the aims of the BDRA and would enjoy organising and communicating with the team of Volunteers. If you are interested in further details, please contact chairman@bdra.org

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If you're interested in taking on this round, please contact Trevor Leach, Membership Secretary, Great Burstead and South Green tel 07506213556 or email: tgpleach@hotmail.com

BDRA Meetings

All members are welcome. If you would like to attend or raise an issue or are interested in local matters and want to discuss contact us on resident@bdra.org. Next meeting:7.30pm at the Reading Rooms on Thursday 21st April

Remembering old friends and supporters of the BDRA

Jim Poynter



We were sad to hear of the recent passing of Jim Poynter after a short illness. Jim was a longterm volunteer and committed member of the BDRA who took great satisfaction in getting out and delivering The Resident magazine over the years.

We extend our sincere condolences to Jim's family and friends at this difficult time and our grateful thanks for Jim's dedication to the BDRA cause.

Graham Goodeve

We were sad to hear that Graham Goodeve passed away in April 2021. Graham became the treasurer of the BDRA in 2001 and continued until 2008. After standing down as treasurer he continued as a member of the East & Burstead area joint committee. He was also an area representative for distribution of "The Resident" in East Area, making sure that about dozen road reps had their bundles for delivery on time.

Our thoughts are with Graham's family and friends and we extend our thanks for his long commitment to the BDRA.

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Billericay Bowling Club

Open Day on **Sunday 8th May** 10am-3pm for anyone interested in playing bowls. An appointment system is in place, so if interested please contact Jenny Hyland on 0941 977338.

Billericay Flower Arranging Group

The Group are celebrating their 60th anniversary this year. They meet on the **first Wednesday of each month** at 7.30pm for a 8pm start in the W.I. Hall, St. Edith's Lane, Billericay. **Wednesday May 4th** - Shirley Perkins, with 'Nice to See You'. Visitors welcome at £7 each. Contact Linda Gilbey on 01277 656217 or email ljgilbey@oal.com

Billericay Horticultural Society

Meet in the Chantry Centre from 8pm-10pm, visitors welcome £2.00. Refreshments available. **Monday 25th April** Organic Vegetable Growing. Contact 43trouble@gmail.com

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Bereavement support group for Parents who have lost a Son or Daughter, in any circumstances and if recent or a while ago. Monthly meetings are held at The Chantry Centre, Chantry Way on **the second Monday of each month**, starting at 7pm. The next meetings: **11th April and 9th** **May**. Parents are given a warm and friendly welcome in a safe environment, meeting other people Contact Lyn on 07387805406 or e-mail lyn-currie@hotmail.co.uk

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The WI

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Little Burstead WI meets on the second Thursday of the month from 2pm-4pm at Little Burstead Village Hall. Contact 01268 491396.

South Green WI We meet on **the third Thursday of the month** at South Green Memorial Hall, Southend Road. CM11 2PR. Contact 01277 652739 for more details.

Venturers' Bridge Club

Venturers' Bridge Club meets on **Thursdays** 1.15pm at Hannakins Farm, Rosebay Avenue for social bridge in a friendly environment. £4.00 per session. Contact graham@forsythe.co.uk



• Live at Emmanuel

Ricky Ross (Short Stories Vol.2) will be performing at the Emmanuel Church, Billericay on **Tuesday 11th October**. Tickets on sale from **4th February**. Contact paul@revpacman.com

• Stock Drama Group

The Stock Drama Group is presenting **Rumours** by Neil Simon, **27th -30th April** at Stock Village Hall at 8pm. Tickets £10, available from www.ticketsource.co.uk/stockdramagroup. Phone 01277 840737. Also from Exclusive Dry Cleaners, Holly Court

• Brentwood Arts Cinema Club

United Reform Church Hall, New Rd Brentwood (opposite the Library). Films start at 7.30pm. **Sunday 24th April** The Draughtsman's Contract. Annual Membership £42, Guests £6 per film. Contact:bacc.contact@gmail.com



• Friends of Billericay School

Quiz Night **Saturday 23 April** at 7.30pm. Open to all. Billericay School Hall. £5 per person, under 8s free. E-mail fobs.crew@gmail.com to book a table or find out more.

Lions Club of Billericay

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• Remus Sanctuary

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Curry Lunch on **Sunday 22nd May** 2pm for 2.30pm start. Nirvana Indian Restaurant, Ingatestone, £200.00 per person, includes popadoms and dip, main course, side dish, rice and bread. Booking essential. https://www.remussanctuary.org/events/curry-lunch-2/



• Billericay parkrun

Every Saturday 8.45am at Lake Meadows, parkrun provides a free, timed 5k run, jog or walk for all standards from 4years+. A great family and community event in lovely surroundings. Visit www.parkrun.org.uk/billericay or visit our Facebook page.

• Junior parkrun

Every Sunday at 8.45am at Lake Meadows, parkrun provides a free, timed 2k run, jog or walk for all standards from 4-14 years. Visit www.parkrun.org.uk/lakemeadows-juniors/ or visit our Facebook page: Lake Meadows junior parkrun

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Proposed meetings of the Town Council -Planning -**19th April**, **3rd May**; Health, Wellbeing & Environment – **12th April**; Finance & General Purposes **21st April**; Annual Town Meeting **28th April**, **5th May**

Remember – if you wish to have posters displayed on our boards, please deliver to 58 Perry Street, Billericay CM12 0NA

To advertise your event here, please email resident@bdra Deadline for the next issue is 10th April for events taking place between 10th May and 9th June 2022.

Billericay District Residents' Association COACH TRIPS



Please note that all payments should be made as soon as possible and sent to the person named on the trip advertisement. Cheques should be made payable to BDRA and the trip title shown on the back of the cheque.

GG – Gooseberry Green, bus stop at roundabout, OA – Orchard Avenue, approaching Stock Road, LR – Laindon Road, bus stop between Sun Corner and the fire station, SG – South Green, bus stop to Wickford, opposite the retirement apartments.

Please note – When a trip is confirmed the fare must be paid as soon as possible.

THURSDAY 21st APRIL – RYE ON MARKET DAY INCLUDING FISH & CHIPS AT THE PILOT INN FULL

Depart: GG 8.15am. OA 8.20am. LR 8.30am. SG 8.35am. Back in Billericay approximately 7.30pm. Contact: Kathleen Fox, 72 Perry Street, Billericay, CM12 0ND. Telephone: 01277 622342

TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE

Leonardslee Lakes and Gardens are described as The finest Woodland Gardens in England.

On arriving at the estate your time is free to do as you wish, explore, morning coffee and lunch. Unfortunately we are unable to take our own food into the estate, but food is available in The Clock Tower Cafe, Courtyard Cafe, and other food stations throughout the estate, after lunch we will have a guided tour with an estate Gardener.

Cost: £31.50 includes coach, entrance and Guided Tour.

Depart: GG 8.30am. OA 8.35am. LR 8.45am. SG 8.50am. Back in Billericay approximately 6.30pm.

Telephone to book

Yvonne Cave, 11 The Vale, Stock, Ingatestone. CM4 9PW. Telephone: 01277 840560

THURSDAY 9TH JUNE 2022 – TRIP TO BOURTON ON THE WATER

Known as the Venice of the Cotswolds this beautiful village has a lot to offer. There are many attractions all within walking distance including Birdland park and gardens which has many penguins and exotic birds (A £10.95 OAP £9.95). A model village which is the only grade two listed model village in the country (A £4.50 OAP £4.00) There is also a model railway exhibition(A £3 OAP £2.50) and a toy and motoring museum (£6.75) There are plenty shops to browse and lots of eating places.

Cost: £20.00.

Depart: GG 8am. OA 8.05am. LR 8.15am. SG 8.20am. Back in Billericay approximately 7.30pm.

Please telephone to book after 9.00am on Friday 25th March for this trip

Kathleen Fox, 72 Perry Street, Billericay, CM12 0ND. Telephone: 01277 622342

This event is held every year and all the money raised goes to the St Nicholas Hospice Care. About 30 gardens are open to the public and all are within walking distance of the town centre. All the shops are open so come and enjoy the party atmosphere and the refreshments on offer. If you like to see what other people do with their gardens this is the trip for you.

Cost: £23.50 includes coach and entry to the gardens.

Depart: GG 8.30am. OA 8.35am. LR 8.45am. SG 8.50am. Back in Billericay approximately 7.00pm.

Please telephone to book after 9.00am on Monday 28th March for this trip

Kathleen Fox, 72 Perry Street, Billericay, CM12 0ND. Telephone: 01277 622342

If concession prices are quoted (i.e. seniors, children) these should be requested at the time of booking or the full price will apply. In the event that you need to cancel all efforts will be made to resell your seats, however if we are unable to resell your seats you are liable for payment. The terms and conditions which apply to BDRA coach trips can be found at www.bdra.org

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