

THE BILBROOK BUZZ

THE NEWSLETTER OF BILBROOK PARISH COUNCIL



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Welcome to the second edition of the Bilbrook Buzz. There is so much going on at the moment with the Neighbourhood Plan, the Platinum Jubilee and the Bilbrook "YarnBomb" to name a few.

BILBROOK NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Neighbourhood Plan is progressing well; the survey is enclosed in this newsletter. We would encourage residents to complete it so we can understand what is important to you and so that we can help influence the future of Bilbrook. You can complete and return the paper copy to us. Details of how you can do this are shown on the survey.

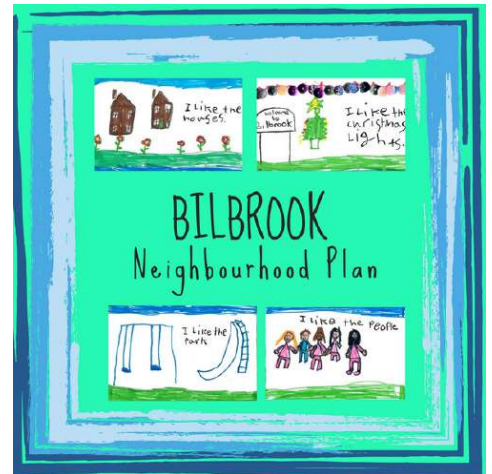
You can also complete the survey online by following the link or scan the QR Code below.

<https://tinyurl.com/BilbrookNPSurvey>



As an incentive, we are offering a prize draw of £100 to one lucky winner. The prize draw is open to all Bilbrook residents who complete the Bilbrook Neighbourhood Plan Survey. (Terms & conditions can be found on our website)

A big thank you to the pupils of Lane Green First School who entered our "What I like about Bilbrook" Competition, We were overwhelmed with the quantity and quality of the pictures submitted. You can see some of the wonderful designs to the right. Well done to Rosie from year 3 whose picture has been incorporated into the Neighbourhood Plan logo. Thank you also to pupils of Bilbrook Middle School who submitted pictures of "Future Bilbrook" which we have included in the Neighbourhood Plan Survey. Well done to Taylor from Year 6 who won 1st prize.



PLAYPARK UPGRADE

As you may have heard, the Parish Council was successful in obtaining funding from the Veolia Environmental Trust. Thank you to everyone who completed the Play Park Consultation. Your responses have been collated and given to the companies tendering to undertake the work. We are hoping for the playpark to be installed ready for the school summer holidays.



THE FLAGPOLE IS BACK!

Sadly the flagpole was vandalised at the end of last year however, it's back and the flag is flying proud!.



HIGH STREET GRANT

Bilbrook Parish Council were successful in their bid for funding to improve the centre of Bilbrook to make it more welcoming to visitors. The Parish Council has used some of the money to tidy up some of the grass verges around the village centre .



The Parish Council has also purchased some new planters for the Village Green.



A big thank you to:



BPC COMMUNITY AWARDS

Bilbrook Parish Council has launched a Community Award Scheme to acknowledge and celebrate members of the community who have improved the lives of individual people or the parish as a whole. You can nominate someone for an award by using our online nomination form. <https://bit.ly/BilbrookAwards> The closing date is Thursday 31st March 2022. Awards will be given at the Annual Parish Meeting (see details below)

THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The meeting enables the Parish Council to explain what it has been doing over the last year and provides an opportunity for the electors to have their say on anything they consider is important to the people of the Parish. To find out more, follow the link below

<https://bit.ly/BilbrookAPM>

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
Wednesday 6th April 2022 6:00pm
Bilbrook Village Hall,
Joey Lane. Bilbrook, WV8 1JL

Find out about the fantastic work of our local community groups.

Tell us what is important to you

Let us know your ideas for making Bilbrook better

Hear what the Parish Council has been up to and it's plans for the next year

THE BREAST SCREENING VAN

The breast screening van will be returning to South Staffs District Council offices from the 6th of April. Those aged 50-70 will be invited to attend if they are due a screening. Over 70's need to call 01384 244177 to book an appointment.

BILBROOK PLATINUM JUBILEE



Plans are coming together for our Platinum Jubilee Celebrations on the 3rd June on Bilbrook Road, Bilbrook Village Green, and the Woodman Pub Car Park, We have live music, stalls, food, and lots more. Bilbrook children will receive a souvenir to mark the occasion,

We are hoping to arrange transport for elderly and disabled residents. Please contact the parish office if you need this. (See details on page 4)

TREES FOR CLIMATE

A big thank you to the Forest of Mercia CIC who supplied and planted 20 trees in Bilbrook as part of the Trees for Climate Programme. Thanks also to the volunteers who helped to plant the trees.



BILBROOK "YARNBOMB"

For the Platinum Jubilee, the Parish Council is hoping to "YarnBomb" the Oak Tree on Bilbrook Village Green. Residents are invited to knit or crochet red, white and blue shapes to be sewn together and wrapped around the tree. The response has been overwhelming!. If you would like to join in, we have a limited supply of wool. Please contact the parish clerk (details on page 4)



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PARISH COUNCILLORS

Cllr M Adams - West Ward
Cllr S Adams - West Ward (Chairman)
Cllr M Barrow - East Ward
Cllr G Burnett - West Ward (Vice-Chair)
Cllr V Chapman - East Ward
Cllr A Hill - West Ward
Cllr D Hutchinson - East Ward
Cllr P Hutchinson - East Ward
Cllr S Leedham - West Ward
Cllr J Michell - East Ward
Cllr B O'Connor - East Ward
Cllr G Price - Lane Green Ward
Cllr D Williams - East Ward

All councillors can be contacted via the Parish Office. (see details on page 4)

PARISH MEETINGS

Full Parish Council Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm (except in August) at Bilbrook Village Hall

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OTHER USEFUL CONTACTS

Staffordshire Police - 111 for a non-emergency or 999 for an emergency. www.staffordshire.police.uk

CrimeStoppers - report crime anonymously on 0800 555111

Staffordshire Smart Alert - Sign up for Police Alerts - www.staffordshiresmartalert.co.uk



A MINIMUM OF 848 NEW HOMES PLANNED FOR BILBROOK

Protected
green spaces?

Road
improvements?

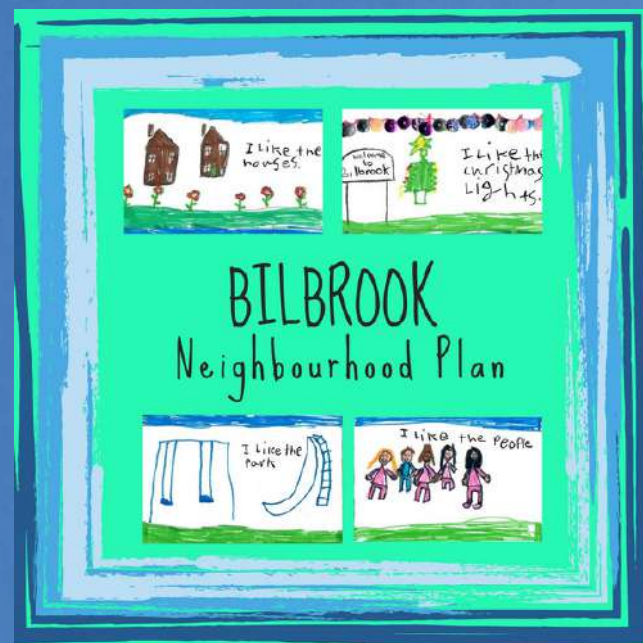
Bungalows?

2/3/4/5
bedroom
houses?

New First
School?

Affordable
housing?

Sheltered
accomodation?



Make sure you have your say by
completing the Neighbourhood Plan
survey inside or online at:

<https://tinyurl.com/BilbrookNPSurvey>



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