

Evidence of Consulting with the community

Encouraging participation from the public

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.

BILBROOK BUZZ

SICK OF SPEEDING IN BILBROOK?

COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH

Although under the remit of the Police, the Parish Council is considering buying the equipment to run a community speed watch group provided that enough Bilbrook residents sign up.

Can you volunteer?

Have you got half an hour a week or a month to help Staffordshire Police tackle speeding in your local community?

Community Speed Watch allows members of the community to get involved by recording vehicles that break the speed limit.

If you're interested call Michelle at Staffordshire Police on 01785-232702 or email: CSW@staffordshire.police.uk

Together we can make Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent a safer place for everyone.



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

Tell us what is important to you
Let us know your ideas for making Bilbrook better

HAVE YOUR SAY - When should wreaths be removed after Remembrance Sunday?

The Parish Council would like your view on the length of time wreaths should be left on Bilbrook War Memorial after Remembrance Sunday. The Royal British Legion offers no guidance; In some places (e.g. the Cenotaph, London) they are removed after weeks, in some after months, others they are left all year round. In Bilbrook they are removed in early January. Please send your thoughts on how long the wreaths should be left on the War Memorial to Bilbrook Parish Clerk:-

Email: bilbrookparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk

Post: Bilbrook Village Hall, Joeys Lane, Bilbrook, WV8 1JL

Bilbrook Parish Council
2 February · 🌐

LOVE BILBROOK!

Bilbrook Parish Council is grateful to the volunteers who have given their time during lockdown to litter pick around Bilbrook as part of their daily exercise.

If you want to join them, the Parish Council can loan you some equipment and give you some guidance.

email: clerk@bilbrookparishcouncil.gov.uk
call: 01902 840007

2,228 People reached
70 Engagements

Boost Post

Consulting on specific issues

UPGRADE OF BILBROOK PLAYPARK

The Playpark at Bilbrook was installed in 2013. It is well used and popular with local children, however, we want to make it more inclusive to enable children – no matter their ability – to play together. In addition to this, some equipment is starting to look a bit tired and needs renewing or replacing, therefore the Parish Council has decided to upgrade the play Park subject to obtaining funding.

The Parish Council would like to hear from local children, families and schools regarding what you like and don't like about the existing Playpark and what equipment you would like installed. Please follow the link below to complete the full form:

www.bit.ly/PlayParkConsultation or complete the shortened form below and return it to us at Bilbrook Parish Council, Bilbrook Village Hall, Joey's Lane, Bilbrook, WV8 1JL. The closing date is Sunday 26th September



1. What do you think of the current equipment?

	Terrible	Bad	OK	Very Good	Awful	Very Good
1. Castle Springs	<input type="radio"/>					
2. High Diving	<input type="radio"/>					
3. Roundabout	<input type="radio"/>					
4. Climbing Net	<input type="radio"/>					
5. Slide	<input type="radio"/>					
6. Rounder	<input type="radio"/>					
7. See Saw	<input type="radio"/>					
8. Hunt-Kidney Lock	<input type="radio"/>					
9. Single Swing	<input type="radio"/>					
10. Double Swing	<input type="radio"/>					
11. Hop-Scotch area	<input type="radio"/>					
12. Roundabout	<input type="radio"/>					



2. How can the current equipment be improved? What other equipment would you like to see installed?

3. Are you a Bilbrook Resident? Yes/No If yes, in which area of Bilbrook do you live? (Please do NOT give your full address for data protection purposes)

4. The age category of the children who use the playpark (tick all that apply)

- 0 to 23 Months
- 2-4 Years
- 5-10
- 11+

4. Do any of your children need inclusive equipment? Yes/No

Bilbrook Parish Council
2 September at 12:50

BILBROOK PLAYPARK, JOEYS LANE

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The Parish Council would like to hear from you about what you like and don't like about the existing Play Park and what equipment you would like installed. ... See more

9,073 People reached 1,515 Engagements **Boost post**

12 14 comments 24 shares



Working with community groups and other local agencies.



Billbrook Parish Council

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Billbrook Parish Council would like to thank Forest of Mercia CIC for helping the Parish Council to plant ornamental cherry trees on the Twentyman Playing fields at Joeys Lane.

The Parish Council is encouraging residents to plant trees in Billbrook as part of the BBC Country File "Plant Britain" campaign. Please follow the link below for more details.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/.../14KG.../take-part-in-plant-britain>



Friends of Billbrook

15 October 2020 ·

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You may have noticed piles of grass or maybe even a tractor pulling a special bit of machinery in Billbrook recently. The grass on 4 separate plots of land in the village has been cut and the arisings taken away. This is a departure from the normal way the grass is cut in the district. This allows the flowers to set seed so they will come back next year. It also means that the wild flowers can grow to maturity, which is better for our pollinators.

The other positive thing is that the longer vegetation created habitats for our wildlife. We have even noticed cherry tree and hazel saplings growing which would normally have been cut down under the old cutting regime.

So it's more positive news for nature in Billbrook and each year we should see more and more wild flowers emerge as the ground loses its fertility. This experimental way of managing the land is a partnership between the Friends of Billbrook, South Staffordshire Council, Billbrook Parish Council and Plantlife - the wild flower charity. The new management program will be infinitely better for wildlife and should give us something different to look at rather than just grass which we have become accustomed to seeing.

More information on Plantlife's work and their road verge campaign can be found here:

<https://www.plantlife.org.uk/.../supp.../restore-road-verges>

