



Welcome to the first issue of the Allbrook and North Boyatt Parish Council Newsletter. The Parish Council will publish this newsletter quarterly and distribute to homes in the Parish.

The Parish Council, at their last meeting on 24 September 2014, decided to trial the publication of a newsletter. The aim of the newsletter is to ensure residents are aware of the work that the Parish Council is doing, along with general local interest articles.

What is a Parish Council?

A Parish Council is a separate tier of local government that sits alongside the Borough Council. It is intended to give local people more say over local issues. The Parish Council has powers to provide or maintain community facilities, such as Broomhill and Lincoln’s Rise Allotments. It is also able to comment and lobby on matters of interest to people in the area.

Your Parish Council

Allbrook and North Boyatt Parish Council was formally created in April 2010. It covers the areas of Allbrook and the northern part of Boyatt Wood. The Parish Council meets every other month at Crestwood College, Shakespeare Rd, 7pm, all are welcome to come along.

Members of the public are invited to speak on general items at the start of the meeting, this session lasts for 15 minutes. If you wish to speak at a meeting please register by contacting the Parish Clerk or one of your Parish Councillors.

Details of forthcoming meetings:

28 January 2015	Full Council
25 March 2015	Full Council
29 April 2015	Annual Parish Meeting

Parish Council meeting agendas and minutes can be viewed on our website.

Parish Councillors

There are 8 elected Parish Councillors, each serving a 4 year term.

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From the Archives ... Allbrook Hill



Picture courtesy of Eastleigh and District Local History Society, they have a Facebook page - search for Eastleigh History and Shared Memories.

Allotment Update

Allotments are plots of land that are made available for individual, non professional gardening.

The Parish Council owns and manages two allotment sites:

Broomhill - 105 plot site situated off Broomhill Way, Eastleigh

Lincoln's Rise – 11 plot site situated off Lincoln's Rise, Eastleigh

There are currently a small number of available allotment plots for rent (at time of press, Jan 15). If you are interested in applying for an allotment plot, please visit the Allotment pages of our website and complete a form or contact the Allotment Officer directly at allbrookparishallotments@gmail.com or contact one of your Parish Councillors.

Latest News

Allbrook Horse Trough

In June 2014 the Parish Council were made aware that a local historical artefact, namely a stone horse trough, was located in a private garden of a house in Otterbourne that was due to be sold.



The Allbrook Horse Trough

The Allbrook Horse Trough was commissioned in 1915 by Colonel Jones Bateman, of Otterbourne Grange. The inscribed granite drinking trough was a memorial to his mother, Jessie Jane Marianne Jones-Bateman, who for forty years was a benefactor to Allbrook, offering support and assistance to those less fortunate than herself. Unfortunately, shortly after the presentation of the trough, Col Jones Bateman was killed in the Battle of the Somme.

Special thanks to Cllr Peter Wall for the loan of his copy of Norma Lark's excellent research entitled 'Allbrook - A study of the place, the people and their development', printed copies are available in Eastleigh Library.

The horse trough was originally sited by the road on Allbrook Hill, some years later it was moved close to the Old School Theatre in Pitmore Road, later it mysteriously disappeared ... and ended up in a private garden.

Parish Councillors have looked at a number of locations to resite the Horse Trough and believe the community meadow will be a suitable long term option.

The Parish Council would like to thank BAM Nuttall Ltd, Allbrook Depot, who kindly offered to collect the very heavy horse trough and are keeping it safe at the depot until its new location is ready.

From the archives – Did you know? Until 1840 a set of public stocks stood outside Boyatt Farm

Lych Gate project

The development of the land to the east of Pitmore Road has resulted in the provision of a community meadow area. The Parish Council were informed in August 2014 that Eastleigh Borough Council has negotiated an enhancement to the entrance of the meadow in the form of a Lych Gate. Further information on the design of the Lych Gate will soon be available to Parish Councillors so please get in touch if you wish to know more.



A Lych Gate is a gateway covered by a roof

Get involved

The Parish Council welcomes articles which will be of local interest to residents. If you would like to contribute an article, provide feedback or if you can spare some time to deliver the newsletter please contact Cllr Sarah Bain – details overleaf.