

# HULLBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

## Spring 2017

Hullbridge Parish Council would like thank everyone who came along, enjoyed and participated in the Hullbridge Christmas Fayre. Special thanks to the HCA who helped organise, marshal and arrange Santa's Grotto also to the event sponsors. SAVE the DATE this years event is taking place on **Saturday 2nd DEC 2017**, 3-6pm. Our booking forms for a stall / pitch are now available on our website : <http://www.hullbridgepc.co.uk/hullbridge-parish-council-chri/> Please contact us if you are interested in performing at the event.

Hullbridge Parish Council sent over 180 **Christmas Parcels** to Residents who are 80 and over. Thank you to Riverside Primary School who collected additional items and the School Council who packed the bags. Please let us know if you are 80 this year.

### Kendal Park Nature Reserve

A lot of work to improve the reserve is continuing to take place. So far we have enhanced the pathways, entrances, opened up some areas and planted more trees to diversify the specie to strengthen the reserve, as unfortunately many of the Ash has the Die-back disease.

We will in the future be looking at the leaking pond, improving habitats to encourage wildlife and carrying out in-house the majority of the needed coppicing work to sustain the reserve. We will also be emptying the dog bins three times a week as we have had several issues with previous Contractors.

Thank you to the many dog owners who are keeping their dogs in control, on leads and picking up after them, there are however a small minority of dog owners who are not and some being abusive to staff. We want this reserve to continue to be accessible for everyone to enjoy this open space and we ask that all users are respectful to staff, others, the environment and the regulations.

**Wheelchair Loan—Short Term** provided free, please contact the Parish Council Office.

**Street Lights** -report defective lights to the Clerk.

**Highway Issues** Please call Essex County Council on 0845 603 7631 or visit [www.essexhighways.org/transport-and-road.aspx](http://www.essexhighways.org/transport-and-road.aspx)

**Visit our Website** -<http://www.hullbridgepc.co.uk/>

**Facebook**—<https://www.facebook.com/Hullbridge-Parish-Council-1544215995841235/>

### Rose Garden Lectern

We have just installed an information lectern in the Rose Garden, this gives residents/visitors a bit of history of the village and what can be seen and places of interest. This has been funded by Essex County Council Communities Initiative Fund and the Parish Council.

### Recreation Ground Play ship

We are very pleased to announce that a new play ship costing in the region of £35k will be replacing the old one and hopefully installed by Easter. It will be bigger, more interactive play and be a great asset to the play space. This has been a partnership project with Rochford District Council and the Parish Council and funded by both parties and Essex County Council Communities Initiative Fund.

### Public Toilets

We are currently in negotiations with Rochford District Council (RDC) regarding the Pooles Lane car park toilets. Due to cutbacks and not being a statutory requirement RDC will not in the future be keeping public toilets open in the District. The Parish Council has agreed to take this service on and we are looking at the options.

We will again be opening a toilet at the Recreation Ground between April / October and are also talking to RDC to discuss options for the future.

### Council Tax

We have put our precept up this year due to the services being devolved to us but we have made sure that it is still Best Value for our residents who we serve. Parish Council Band D portion will be £65.73 an increase of 19.6p per week.

### Sea Wall Repairs

Footpath will be closed between the Recreation Ground and Brandy Hole due to sea wall repairs.

<http://www.hullbridgepc.co.uk/assets/documents/hullbridge-seawall-repairs-j>

**Rochford District Council**—01702 546366

**Out of Hours Emergencies** 01268 527317

**Citizens Advice Bureau** -0344 477 0808, Monday to Friday 9.30am - 4pm

<http://www.citizensadvice.rochford.org.uk>

**Crime Stoppers**—0800 555 111—Call anonymously with information about crime.

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Admin Assistant

Maintenance Staff

12.30pm.—2.30 pm

10 am—12 noon

- Anne-Marie Bates

- Juliette Mullett

- Martin Bewers / Jake Lillywhite

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Cllrs Mrs. Diane Hoy, Michael Hoy and Stuart Wilson

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Cllr Michael Hoy

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