

Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield

Parish Council

Village Matters

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Parish Up-date

The official opening of the Recreational Shelter on the Green at Stanningfield took place on September 3rd. The opening was attended by Senior Management from the Havebury Housing Partnership, Borough Councillor Sara Mildmay-White and Parish Councillors with good support from adults and children of the village.

It was the culmination of several months work by the Parish Council to up-grade and improve facilities within the Parish.

This has included -

- (1) Demolishing the old Bus Shelter and erecting a new modern Shelter.
- (2) Installing Goal Posts on the Green
- (3) Purchasing sixty new padded chairs for the Village hall.
- (4) The start of the creation of a Woodland project at the back of the Village Hall.
- (5) Installing a new Recreational Shelter on the Green
- (6) Wi-Fi connectivity at the Village Hall
- (7) Purchasing a computer projector and screen for the Village Hall
- (8) Setting up a Village Website
- (9) Producing an Emergency Plan to protect the vulnerable
- (10) A Parish Newsletter to keep you up-dated

Special recognition and thanks go to –

The Havebury Housing Partnership - In particular Lauren Porter for helping us through the application and presentation process to achieve the £5,000 grant to buy the Recreation Shelter.
Recreational Development Grant - Which gave us £5,000 towards recreational activities following the development of Norse Avenue and Viking Close

Councillor Terry Clements - Who supported us with £1,500 from his Locality Budget.

Barry Coulson - Who supplied the most competitive quote for the foundation slabs for the two shelters and in fact did the Bus Shelter slab free of charge.

Stuart Bradnam - Who cleared the woodland area free of charge.

Terry and David - For the use of their electricity when the new shelters were erected.

Last but not least the members of the village who helped to demolish and erect the two new shelters, this saved over £3,000 in additional costs. Well done and thanks to those of you who got involved.

Recreation Shelter

Unfortunately, during the last week of August it became necessary to call the police due to, and despite previously being warned, the actions of two young people who thought it was acceptable to climb and sit on top of the shelter rather than on the benches inside. These actions are not only very dangerous but will also cause damage to the cover. Hopefully we can rely on everyone's support to use these shelters for the purposes intended.

Bus Shelter Landscaping

The area behind the Bus Shelter will be levelled and grass seeded during the Autumn. Would you like to donate a tree or a shrub to help create a great area around the Bus Shelter? If so please contact a member of the Parish Council.

Website Additions

There are pictures of the old and new shelters on the Website just visit <http://bradfieldcombust.onesuffolk.net/www.onesuffolk.net>

Stanningfield

The Village of Stanningfield was in the spotlight, with a feature in the Town and Village news section of the Bury Free Press, on August 2nd.

Speeding through the Villages

There has been much conversation recently regarding speeding in Bradfield Combust along the main A134 and in Stanningfield through the Village itself.

So far we have been able to gain support for a flashing speed sign to be placed on the entry to Stanningfield from Chapel Road. These devices are circulated around the various villages and are moved every couple of weeks. This is very similar to the one used along the A134 in Sicklesmere.

We are campaigning for more sites in both villages.

Note to Parents in Stanningfield

We have also had another report of a close shave with a motor vehicle regarding the children playing on skate boards and scooters on the road near the bus shelter and the entrance to Norse Avenue. So please parents make sure your children are aware of the dangers.

Owl Boxes

Suffolk Wild Life Trust have agreed to install two barn owl nesting boxes in Bradfield Park subject to finding suitable trees, these should be installed in late October.

This is quite a coup for the Parish, as there was quite a lot of competition for these boxes from Parishes across Suffolk. Further, with an estimate of only 4000 barn owls left in the UK, this breeding programme is of national importance, and it would be nice to think the Parish is contributing to the re-establishment of an endangered species.

Report from our Safer Neighbourhood Team

Your dedicated PCSO and PC are Hollie Cogman 3257 and Sheena Tate 161 respectively.

Crime Statistics for the Parish to 16/09/2013

There have been three crimes of interest in the Parish since the last meeting.

- (1) Burglary other building; during hours of darkness offenders have gained access to a secure garage and removed motocross equipment.
- (2) Theft in dwelling; during daylight hours a known offender has entered a property and taken various items and caused damage. Offender is on police bail.
- (3) Criminal Damage to a shed

Around the County -

There have had a number of pedal cycle thefts including high value road bikes, please take every measure to secure your prized possessions.

From the priority meeting that was held on the 11th June we have three new priorities:

- 1) Speeding
- 2) Hare coursing
- 3) Burglary dwelling/burglary other building

Speeding data:- No data for this month.

You can now also follow us on twitter [@StEdsPolice](https://twitter.com/StEdsPolice)

Please ask your community to secure their property and remove personal items from view when leaving their vehicles. Do not make it easy for thieves!

Be vigilant and report any suspicious activity, for non-urgent matters dial 101 or email: stedsruralnorth.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk

If you believe a crime is in progress dial 999

Hoggards Green v The Green

Following requests from residents in and around the Green at Stanningfield, we are going to re-locate the current Hoggards Green signs to locations in and around the War Memorial Green and replace them with new signs with "The Green" on them. This should take away any confusion for delivery drivers etc. using sat Nav.

Dog Bins

Due to the high use of the bin we placed on the Village Hall corner last year (thanks to all those who “Bag it and Bin it”) we are going to swap this bin with the one currently on the corner of the green which is larger.

Once again there have been complaints in the last month about mess left on the Green and in other areas. **Please could we ask these offenders to have a little respect for others and consider that by not removing the mess there is the potential for disease and filth to be spread to others.**

Planning Application

Parish Councillors attended a Planning Meeting at West Suffolk House on Thursday 5th September at which the proposal for the development of nine new dwellings on the piece of land along Bury Road as you leave Stanningfield was on the agenda. The proposal was unanimously rejected by the Planning Committee.

This follows considerable opposition from Local Agencies, the Parish Council and Local Residents with eleven objections being lodged in total.

Stanningfield St Nicholas Church

You may recall back in January this year we featured an article from Gerry and Judith Biggs about St Nicholas Church in Stanningfield and the need for repairs running to many thousands of pounds. Well there is good news - their £20,000 target was achieved in July, this is on top of the £26,000 English Heritage Grant already achieved. Work has started on replacing the 14th century roof.

Well done to all concerned in achieving these grants to allow an important piece of our heritage to survive

New to the Parish

For anyone new to the Parish, first of all welcome, if you need to know anything relating to the Parish please feel free to contact a Parish Council member, the Clerk or check out the Parish website at <http://bradfieldcombust.onesuffolk.net>

Up-dated List of Parish Councillors

David Staff	Chairman	01284 828578
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Marie Bluett	Councillor	01284 828443
David Crawford	Councillor	01284 388944
Mark Duchesne	Councillor	01284 828566

Donald Green	Councillor	01284 828618
Ray McKenna	Councillor	01284 828691
Clive Mears	Councillor	01284 827462
Colin Walters	Councillor	01284 828565
Victoria Waples	Clerk	01284 787178

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Website: <http://bradfieldcombust.onesuffolk.net>

List of forthcoming 2013 Parish Meeting dates

Monday October 28th

Monday December 9th

Council Objectives

1. To represent the whole community
2. To communicate and engage the community in supporting and developing village initiatives
3. To promote a caring spirit amongst the villages of Bradfield Combust and Stanningfield
4. To ensure National and Local Government changes affecting the Parish are understood and acted upon