



Streatley Parish Council Newsletter

**Serving Streatley,
Sharpenhoe &
Bushmead**

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VE DAY ----- 75th ANNIVERSARY

Friday 8th May is designated as this year's May Day bank holiday. This will enable towns, councils, and communities all over the country to simultaneously take part in celebrations to mark the 75th anniversary of VE day.

Streatley Parish Council have decided to participate in the celebrations to honour the memories of the brave heroes of World War 2, many of whom made the ultimate sacrifice.

We are hoping that as many local people as possible will join us in the celebrations, which will start with a gathering at the war memorial stone outside the Chequers public house at 2.45pm. At 2.55pm we have arranged for a bugler to play the Last Post, followed by Reveille. At 3.00pm we are hoping to have a local piper who will play two laments, whilst those in attendance will be invited to raise a glass, and toast those men and women who gave so much to preserve our freedom.

We will then proceed to the Village Hall where a barbeque and licensed bar will be available for you to enjoy, (vegetarian options available). We are hoping to provide a background of forties music, with the Hall suitably decorated to reflect the era. The event will close at 7.00pm, when the church bells will be rung, as indeed they will in churches throughout the country.

We do hope you will be able to join us on this memorable day. Tickets for the barbeque are £4 per person, or £12 for a family ticket, (maximum 4 people), which can be obtained from any of the councillors whose names are listed on this newssheet.

Please support this event. We are hoping to make a small profit, which will be donated in its entirety to the "Help for Heroes" charity. We look forward to hearing from you.

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 9th March 2020
7.30pm

Streatley Parish Council Email & Website Update

Our new website will be www.streatley-pc.gov.uk
The new email address: clerk@streatley-pc.gov.uk
The above will be active from 28th March 2020

CROMER WAY & BUSHMEAD SAPLING PLANTING

Thank you to all residents who have contacted Cllr Valentine to offer assistance with the planting of the saplings. As soon as notification on delivery has been received, Cllr Valentine will contact residents with a plan... Please bring your shovel... Thank you...

The March winds and April showers arrived early this year and have rather outstayed their welcome. Outdoor activities have been challenged and given us a taste of cabin fever. Looking on the bright side it is unlikely we will have a hosepipe ban! Despite all this, Spring is on the way when on the 21st March the daylight and night hours are almost equal. It's a time when we can be thinking of all the wildlife returning to the UK and others waking up. Incorporating an eco friendly spot in your garden can help them. It doesn't need to be an untamed, overgrown jungle, maybe just plants that encourage birds and insects which create the perfect habitat for food and shelter. Do not clear under hedges which can make a safe cosy home for hedgehogs and material for nesting birds. Use permeable paving which will prevent localised flooding. A mature tree can take up to 100 gallons of water a day, so be mindful where that water will go before you chop it down.

A big thankyou to all our tradespeople who have mended fences, sorted trees and tried to get us back to normal with these adverse weather conditions.

Pause a minute.. One of the worst days so far for Coronavirus was 10th February when 108 people in China died. But on the same day 26,283 people died of cancer, 24,541 died of heart disease and 4,300 died of diabetes. Mosquitoes kill 2,740 people daily, and humans kill 1,300 fellow humans daily on average.. Take a deep breath and wash your hands...

**2020 Parish Council
Meetings**

**11th May
8th June
14th September
9th November**

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