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www.silverend-yfc.co.uk**

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Window on Silver End

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Village agent 0800 9775858
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Police, Braintree 551312
SE Primary School 583353
SE Library 584754
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Window on Silver End

Silver End Parish Council

Your Village needs You

On May 5th 2011 Parish Council Elections will take place. There are 13 seats on Silver End Parish Council (SEPC) to be filled. This will be for a 4-year term. The current coalition central Government is stating many issues affecting local communities can be run/overseen at Parish level. Therefore Parish Councils and other democratic community groups are likely to be even more involved in local issues hence your **Village needs you!**

Some FAQs.

Q. How do I apply?

A. Obtain nomination papers (from SEPC Clerk or the Returning Officer at Braintree District Council) available March and Early April 2011

Q. What sort of questions will I be asked on these papers?

A. Your name and address and the name and address of a proposer and seconder. All should reside in or near Silver End and be on the electoral roll.

Q. What formal qualifications do I need?

A. None. The main qualification is a keen interest in your village and community and have a willingness to learn. Training is available, knowledge, experience and confidence will follow.

Q. Will my skills and experience in the workplace be useful?

A. All skills acquired are useful to be an effective Councillor, for example,

good communication, patience & understanding, basic IT knowledge, project/contract management, organisational skills, grant application/fund raising experience etc. Every one of these is an asset.

Q. Do Parish Councillors get paid?
A. At present Councillors on SEPC are not paid. However some out of pocket expenses e.g. travel to essential meetings outside the village can be claimed.

Q. What time do I have to put in?

A. The minimum time is to attend the Monthly meetings held in the Village Hall on the 2nd Wednesday of each Month. In practise most Councillors do much more than this, depending on their work and family commitments. A "can do" attitude is equally important as allocating time.

Q. Do I need a computer or access to one?

A. Desirable but not essential at present. Councillors find it convenient and cost effective to communicate by email. Planning applications can be viewed on line.

Q. Do I have to have a specific job on the Parish Council if I am elected?

A. An AGM is held at the May SEPC meeting to elect a chairman, Vice Chairman and other representations, which councillors are invited to volunteer for.

Interested? Why not come to our April 13th Council meeting. See

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and hear what goes on. You will be given a chance to ask questions if you wish. Hope to see you there.

Alan Waine, Chairman Silver End Parish Council

February 2011

Parish Plan News letter – progress update

SID has come to Silver End

In March 2010 we carried out a week long speed monitoring on the Boars Tye Road. The results confirmed what our Community Speed watch volunteers were finding when they went out with a speed camera.

Vehicles leaving the village heading toward Braintree were already doing in excess of the 30 mph speed limit before reaching the 40 mph sign.



Overall we monitored 13604 vehicles over 7 days leaving the village; of these, cars leaving the village 7860 were travelling over 35mph, of these 199 Vehicles were travelling over 50 mph. Comparing these to vehicles entering the village from the 40mph. 13364 vehicles entered the village of these, 4663 were over 35 mph, and 58 of these over 50 mph

We, SEPC, achieved funding for our own SID (speed indication device) which is now installed. These signs can be programmed with a variety of indications, from smiley face to speed indication. SID can also collect information, including the volume and speed of passing vehicles, to help the council and police decide if other speed reduction measures, such as traffic calming, need to be introduced on particular roads.

Drivers should be aware that traffic police can be positioned further along the road to carry out enforcement on those who continue to speed, despite SID's timely and friendly warning.

At 35mph it takes a car 21ft (6.4 metres) longer to stop than at 30mph
 If a car strikes a child at 20mph the child will probably survive
 If a car strikes a child at 30mph that same child will be seriously injured
 If a car strikes a child at 40mph the child will die

Parking in the School Road and Valentine Way area

A meeting was held at BDC in February to consider the responses to the resident's survey that took place last autumn.

The main result was that residents were overwhelmingly in favour of formalising parking on the verges using either bays or strengthening. BDC are currently favouring tarmaced bays rather than grasscrete or grating. The next stage will be to draw up full plans for the bays which will need to take into account existing driveways, road junctions, trees, etc.

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Useful information—opening times of Broadway services.

Doctors' surgery	Monday to Friday	8.00 am – 6.30 pm Depending on doctor being present
Chemist	Mon, Tue, Thur & Fri Wednesday Saturday	9.00 am – 6.30 pm 9.00 am – 5.00 pm 9.00 am – 1.00 pm
Co-op shop	Monday to Saturday Sunday	7.00 am – 10.00 pm 10.00 am – 4.00 pm
Library.	Tuesday & Thursday Saturday	2.00 pm – 6.00 pm 9.00 am – 1.00 pm
Post box - last collection	Monday to Friday Saturday	4.30 pm 9.00 am
Post office	Mon, Tue, Thur & Fri Wednesday Saturday	9.00 am – 1.00pm 2.00 pm – 5.30 pm 9.00 am – 1.00 pm 9.00 am – 12.30 pm

Car Treasure Hunt

Sunday 12 June

Starting at Rivenhall Hall

1.30pm

£2.50 per adult

children free

No need to book
 but for more details
 please ring Martin on
 01376 571514

**SPRINT,
 JOG, CRAWL**
 Silver End Fun Run

Sunday 15th May

Different categories for different age groups

Medals for all
 Trophies for winners.

Registration starts at 11am behind the Silver End Village Hall

Races starts from midday.
 Toddlers : Midday
 Short Route : 12:10
 Long Route : 12:15

BBQ and refreshments on sale

For more information call:-
 Denise 01376 583055


 www.1stsilverend.org.uk



Silver End Friendship Club

New members are always welcome, Meetings are in the main hall, the Village Hall, Broadway. Membership is £5.00 per year plus £1.00 per meeting. Contact: Roy Ockelford on 01376 584236.

MONTH/DATE	TIME	PROGRAMME
March 25th	2.30pm	Martin Allen
April 1st	2.00pm	Bingo
April 8th	2.00pm	Bingo
April 15th	2.00pm	Bingo
April 28th (Thurs)	2.30pm	Royal Wedding Tea Party with Ian Jordan
May 6th	2.00pm	Bingo
May 13th	2.00pm	Bingo
May 27th	2.30pm	"Mike's Bloomers" (flower arranging)
June 3rd	2.00pm	Bingo
June 10th	2.00pm	Bingo
June 24th	2.30pm	Silver End School Choir
July 1st	2.00pm	Bingo
July 15th	2.00pm	Bingo
July 29th	2.30pm	Martin Allen
Club Draws		
March 25th		Draw
May 27th		Draw
August 26th		Draw
November 25th		Christmas Draw
Club Holidays		
July 4th - 11th		Warners Lakeside - Hayling Island

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Given the current very tight financial constraints on district councils, BDC are unlikely to be able to fund the parking bay building work alone so it would need to be matched funded - possible sources could include the Greenfields Community Fund.

As well as the problems faced by residents with parking, there are many other important connected issues including road safety, access to the school, the visual appearance and the impact on the Conservation Area. English Heritage has placed the Silver End Conservation Area on their At Risk register partly because of the state of the roadside verges.

Silver End District Councillors have asked for the matter to be reported to the March Witham Local Committee with a view to speeding up the process of agreeing the plans. James Abbott District Councillor for Silver End

Greener Silver End Group



Tap into Savings is a national scheme being delivered in the Braintree district by Anglian Water, Braintree District Council, Global Action Plan, Greenfields Community Housing and Waterwise and part funded by Defra's Greener Living Fund.

Under this scheme you can request **A FREE HOME VISIT** from an Anglian Water-approved plumber who will install up to £30 worth of water-saving products, including a device to convert a single flush toilet into dual flush, tap inserts, hose guns and a shower optimiser. The plumber will also check for leaks in internal plumbing. The home visits may help you save up to 15% of your water use and up to £50 off your utility bills. A home visit takes under an hour and is arranged at a time to suit you.

To schedule a home visit or to find out more please call Anglian Water on 0800 9755 567 and press option 0 or email hello@tapintosavings.org or visit www.tapintosavings.org

Greener Silver End Group

Contact us at: 01376 583477 green-silverend@care2.com

Silver End Heritage Society

Next event — **21st April 8pm in Bowling Club** with speaker about setting up a Heritage group. All villagers very welcome. Refreshments available.

Brian Gillion phone 01376 583706 email brian@wea.silverend.org for more details

Silver End BMX / Skate Park

The BMX committee met on 1st March to discuss progress on designs and funding. When plans are more advanced there will be consultations with all user groups. If you would like to get involved and help in any way, please contact the Parish Clerk and she will pass on your detail to me. Cllr Adrian Fecit

Can you help solve a mystery?

Ty was staying with me while my son and his family moved house in the autumn of 2009. Unfortunately he got out and despite searching the area for weeks and putting leaflets in nearby homes he was never seen again.



It was a great shock to us all when, on the morning of 14th February this year (Valentines Day) we found him run over on the side of Western Road just inside the 30mph limit and a little way along from my house. It happened on one of the rare occasions when my daughter in law and grandchildren were visiting and while they were at my house. His body had not been there when they arrived but was discovered as they were leaving a short while later. One possibility is that he had heard her voice and was coming to find her.

A passing policeman stopped and helped remove his body so that he could finally be taken to their new home, where he is now buried under the magnolia.

The mystery is where had he been for the 16 months since he went missing in October 2009. He had survived two severe winters and was in good condition. Had someone been looking after him and giving him food? If you can offer any information please contact my daughter in law on 07545 508496. Thank you.

MESSAGE FROM YOUR VILLAGE AGENT

What do Village Agents do?

This is often a question I am asked, and to be honest it is sometimes difficult to give a precise answer. Basically we provide free, independent and confidential signposting and information to help people live independent lives in their own homes. Everyone has different needs and it often takes a while to understand how we can help. A few headings are printed at the foot of the page ... but you might be surprised to know some of the varied activities I have been involved with – everything from coffee morning to commodes, salsa dancing to smoke alarms. If you are not sure if I can help, why not try me?

Lydia Howat, Village Agent
Call free on: 0800 977 5858, mobile: 07540 720606
Email: lydia.howat@vaessex.org.uk

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07842 024769
email: puretonefitness@talktalk.net

ESSEX POLICE CHOIR

IN CONCERT

St Mary & All Saints' Church
Rivenhall, CM8 3PH
Saturday 18th June 2011
7.30 p.m.

Tickets £7
(Inc. Strawberries & Cream and a Glass of Wine)
available from
Ann Kerr 01376 515437
& Ann Riddleston 01376 515400
Proceeds in aid of Rivenhall Church

Barnardo's Charity shop

2 The Broadway, Silver End,
Witham, Essex
Telephone: 01376 583962
Manager: Elliott Lee



Opening hours 9am - 5pm Mon to Fri

Donations are gratefully received at the shop but we regret we are unable to take any electrical items or items of furniture.

If you require any more information please contact me on the following
bernadettewest07@aol.com

Village Calendar 2012

To all residents of the village, do you know of a company that operates from the village or any person that works for a company that would like to advertise their services to the whole community.

If so please contact Anthony Manning S.E.P.C. Councillor so that we can approach them to place an advert.



The Calendar will go to every home in the village which can benefit both the community and the companies involved.

The cost of the advert will depend on the amount of response that we receive.

Contact: Mr Anthony Manning -
01621 818 344

To contact the Parish Clerk:

Telephone :

01376 587976 Fri 10.00—12.00 answer phone at other times

Email:

Parishclerk@silverendparishcouncil.gov.uk

Appointments can be made to see the clerk at the Children's Centre on

Full Minutes of Parish Council meetings are available in the Library.



Silver End District

Girlguiding in Silver End provides a girl only space for young people from age 5 onwards.

Everyone in our district joined for our Christmas party where we met reptiles and worked together to present a 'Christmas Celebration' show for family and friends.

Our most important event recently was Thinking Day. This is celebrated every year worldwide, in recognition of our founders Lord and Lady Baden-Powell. To celebrate we had a day of international activities; we travelled from "Silver End District Airport", renewed our promises, and enjoyed crafts, games and cakes before a campfire. Although wet and muddy we all had a great time!



Ranger, Hellen, received a Jack Petchey Award of £200 which subsidised a trip to London to see 'STOMP'. This was a fantastic experience for our girls who met cast members for autographs and photos.

Rainbows have enjoyed lots of activities including decorating wooden bird boxes. They are looking forward to pancake and Easter activities. They have also worked extremely hard on fundraising by filling smartie tubes with 20p's and sponsored to cram a matchbox. One rainbow crammed 70 items into her box! Excellent work for children so young.

Brownies have made valentine's decorations and enjoyed celebrating Chinese New Year! Lots of girls are also looking forward to a Brownie Holiday in April where we are sure they will have great fun!

Guides have had a Burn's night including Scottish dancing and traditional food such as haggis and are looking forward to a residential event in the Summer. For the Christmas Celebration, Guides performed a modern version of Dickens' "A Christmas Carol". Assisted by students from New Rickstones Academy they worked hard to perform to a high standard on the night.

Rangers have been enjoying activities including a Chinese New Year evening. They are also planning a cook-out and activities including abseiling, zip wire and climbing. Plans include a residential holiday in the summer and a trip to Poland early 2012. They are also holding a fundraiser with local friends in March to support the MS society.

There is a District Quiz Night on Friday 1st April at Henry Dixon Hall, Rivenhall; 7.00pm for 7.30pm start. This is for anyone age 14+, teams of 6-8 costs £3 per person. Bring your own drinks and nibbles. For more information or to book a team please contact Samantha Hutchings, District Commissioner.

For more information about our organisation from Rainbows up to adult leaders, or to put your daughter's name on our waiting list, please contact Samantha, Silver End District Commissioner on 07977 418192 or silverenddistrict@yahoo.co.uk.

Welcome to Silver End Library

Do you know about Silver End library?

We offer a wide range of library services. We have DVDs, books on tape, computers for public use, and.....books. Library membership is free, and it costs nothing to borrow books. Libraries are very different creatures from the stereotype the media still lovingly clings to. We don't say shhhh...



We provide an enquiry service, finding answers to all sorts of queries each week. These range from the straightforward – have you a book on judo? – to the complex and time-consuming. We have a local studies collection, useful for people researching family history and finding out about their locality. If we can't answer something, we have a network across Essex to draw upon, particularly Answers Direct, where staff have more detailed knowledge and more clever resources to draw on – as an example, they have a brilliant business enquiry service.

The backbone of the library service is the library catalogue, listing all the materials in all the libraries. It allows us to search for and obtain items from any other branch, and is available online for you to use wherever you find internet access – you can order your own items, free of charge, for collection from a library convenient for you. If Essex Libraries don't have the book you want, we will try and obtain it for you – books have arrived from as far away as Australia to satisfy reader requests. We charge £1.00 for the service.

Our children's section is bright and full of lovely books to encourage reading, sharing stories and language development. We run story and rhyme times for children. These are on Tuesdays at 2.30pm. We also offer class visits to schools, and every summer participate in the National Reading Challenge where children are encouraged to read during the summer holiday, and rewarded with medals and certificates.

Our public access computers can be used by anyone who is a member of the library. We allow up to an hour of free use per day, and many people use this facility to access the internet, keep in touch with friends and family by e mail, and to produce all sorts of written work. We also subscribe to a range of online services, which allows our customers free access to sites which they would otherwise have to pay for – such as Ancestry, the website which lists all sorts of useful family history information. Everyone is entitled to a library service. We aim to provide the best we can. Most books are printed in fairly small type – libraries provide a selection in large print, which is easier on the eye for many. People who are visually impaired can borrow books on cassette and CD from us, free of charge. Only a very small fraction of published books are recorded onto tape by commercial publishers, which can be frustrating for dedicated readers, so we supplement our service

with their response. However, some are not so fortunate, and the concern is that these people are amongst those least likely to understand the process.

To ensure that they do not get omitted, a community support programme has been established to reach these people. The support team consists of a number of volunteers, each covering a number of villages in their locality, and it is the objective of these volunteers to get the message across to the eligible people by engaging with organisations and services that are most likely to interface with them, such as Parish Councils, GP's, Pharmacists, Libraries, Day Centres and Community Transport.

If you feel that you know of people that are most in need and who may not be aware of the switch over or where to go to get help, then please contact:

Lydia Howat – designated support volunteer for Silver End.

Telephone: 0800 9775858/07540 720606

Email: Lydia.howat@vaessex.org.uk

For further information on the Switchover Help Scheme visit helpscheme.co.uk



Silver End Gad Abouts DAY TRIPS FOR ALL

April 17th - **London (zoo if anyone wishes)**

May 29th - **North weald Market**

June 22nd - **Bury St Edmunds**

July 20th - **Ramsgate**

Aug 10th - **Southend**

Aug 26th - **Clacton airshow**

Sept 28th - **Canterbury**

Oct 19th - **Hempstead valley (shopping centre in Kent)**

Nov 23rd - **Ipswich**

Dec 7th - **Covent Garden**

For details **contact Denise on 01376 583055 after 7.00pm**

local pickups can be arranged.

Trip dependant on a driver being available.

SWITCHOVER IS COMING AND HELP IS AT HAND

For older and disabled viewers who may find making the switch difficult, the Switchover Help Scheme is at hand to provide practical help and assistance to turn one TV set to digital.

Most people will be asked to pay £40 towards the standard option of help. This includes easy to use equipment to switch one TV, an approved installer, aerial upgrade if needed and a 12 month aftercare service, including a free helpline.

The service is also free for people who are eligible and who also receive pension credit income support, income-based jobseeker's allowance or income-related employment and support allowance.


We can help you convert your TV to digital if you:

- Are aged 75 or over, or
- Have lived in a care home for six months or more, or
- Get (or could get)
 - Disability Living Allowance (DLA), or
 - Attendance or Constant Attendance Allowance, or
 - Mobility Supplement, or
- Are registered blind or partially sighted

If you are eligible, the Help Scheme will write to you directly and in plenty of time to ask if you want our help. All you need to do is respond to our letter by sending back a completed reply form or to make things even easier you can call the Help Scheme free to respond. The Switchover Help Scheme has already helped hundreds of thousands of people make the switch to digital.

Run by the BBC through an agreement with the Government, the Help Scheme has been designed around the needs of older and disabled people. Equipment has been chosen to be easy to use, and contact centre, delivery staff and installers have all been trained to understand and respect older and disabled people. All installers are vetted, carry identification and will never call without having made an appointment.

Eligible people in our local area have been identified and should have received a letter to explain the switchover programme, and the people must respond to get help. There will be 2 further reminders. Many of the eligible people will be fortunate to have relatives, friends or neighbours to assist them

helping you go digital 



by drawing on the extensive spoken word library of the Royal National Institute for the Blind. Of course, some people cannot get to the library at all due to poor mobility – many people have friends and relatives who take books for them, but for those who don't we have the trained volunteers from our Home Library Service who visit on a regular basis and bring books, videos, and tapes free of charge.

So, if you're not already a member, what are you waiting for?

Silver End Library is open:

- Tuesday: 2pm – 6pm
- Thursday: 2pm – 6pm
- Saturday: 9am – 1pm

Silver End Library looks forward to seeing you. Visit us at:
10 The Broadway or telephone 01376 584754.

The Adventures of 1st Silver End Scout Troop

The past months have been as busy as ever for the Scouts. Here's a **few** of the activities we have done. To finish 2010 we hired a swimming pool together with inflatables for an evening of messing about in the pool. The older Scouts took part in the national Winter Camp at Gilwell with 2000 other campers one cold and damp weekend in January. They got to take part in Zorbing, High Ropes, Quad Biking and numerous other activities as well as partying at the disco's that finished at midnight!



The annual 'Oscar Award Ceremony' has also taken place where Oscars were awarded in 10 different categories such as 'Most Improved', 'Hardest Working' and 'Funniest Scout'. All the winners were voted for by the Scouts.

With it being winter other activities have had a winter theme to them. An evening has been spent Ice Skating and another one in Suffolk tobogganing. This is just the start of a busy year that has coming up shortly Go-Kart Racing, and a Camp in Kent (for the Scouts not able to go to Iceland in the summer) which includes, Crate Staking, Zip Wires, High Rope Course, Adventure Course, Skiing lesson, day at Digger Land and a whole load more.

Did you know that the Scout Troop has over 60 members, half of which are girls!! For video, photos and info visit www.silverend-scouts.org.uk or contact Dan on 07970730636 if you are aged between 10 and 14 and want to enquire about joining.

Rivenhall & Silver End PCC

Many of you will know that last summer Rev'd Sharon Miles asked the Diocese if it would be possible for her to be moved to a Parish nearer to Clacton for family reasons. Rather quicker than anticipated the Bishop of Colchester added her to the short list for St Osyth, she was interviewed and accepted. Sharon started in her new post in November last year.

We are now in what is known as an Interregnum where we have no permanent priest until a new appointment is hopefully made, following proposals by the Bishop, interviews and other formalities. The vacancy can last upwards of a year, although we are hopeful that the wait will be shorter.

We have been advised that, although the Witham Deanery has to lose some posts, a new priest will probably be located in the Rectory in Silver End and will be part of the Witham Team serving Rivenhall & Silver End but also taking on responsibility for part of North Witham, including the New Rickstones Academy. During the vacancy most of our normal services are being maintained with the help of the Witham Team and retired priests. In our Parish Profile, which sets out our preferences for the role of the new incumbent, we have highlighted our desire that the priest maintains a visible presence in both villages and be willing to work with the schools and other organisations, attending village events wherever possible.

A Quinquennial report was carried out for Silver End church last year by our Architect and a number of minor items are being actioned, however it is now apparent that the thatch to St Francis must be replaced within the next 3-4 years and you will have noticed that fund raising has commenced towards the estimated cost of £35,000. We would like to take this opportunity to thank those who have already made a donation.

We look forward to maintaining our commitment to Silver End and to provide a friendly welcome to any of you who wish to join us at St Francis church on a regular or occasional basis.

Who is the Silver End Christian Fellowship?

The Silver End Christian Fellowship is a church. It is not a club. It is not some kind of a society. It is a church. We may not have a building in which to meet as yet but we are as much a church as one which meets on its own premises. In the Bible the word church always referred to people, not to a building. We meet in the village hall on Sunday evenings and people's houses during the week.

There are four churches in the village. (1) The Silver End Christian Fellowship which meets in the village hall on a Sunday evening and people's houses during the week. (2) The Congregational church which is situated in Silver Street.

Planning applications

Councillors discussed all applications presented to the meeting.

CCTV

Cllr Ashford reported there is currently no further action on the proposed new system in the village centre as he is awaiting a response from the Co-op. A site visit has been suggested to discuss the quote/proposal.

BMX Track

Cllr Fecitt reported that an application has been made to Witham Local Committee for £4000 towards a digger/wood chipper to help clear the site. Want to get the local children involved in this. A similar application has been made to People's Millions. Site meeting next week at Saffron Walden to discuss their skate park.

BDC proposals to save money

Councillors reported on any comments made to BDC on the matter since the last meeting:

Suggest that street lights are turned off after midnight.

Withdrawing funding for 'Community led Planning' would have a detrimental effect on the services that could be offered. Savings are offset against the services and advice offered. SEPC vote to lodge an objection.

ECC Mineral Development Document

Councillors were asked for their comments before the final date of 17.2.11, it was unanimously agreed that a response should be sent on behalf of Silver End Parish Council:

Parish Plan

Councillors had all seen a copy of the draft plan before the meeting and had time to consider any response.

The majority of councillors accepted the validity of the results, in general.

Clerk to make the Parish Plan an agenda item for April's meeting.

Cllr Waine suggested that the Plan should be adopted by the future council, following the election.

Councillors thanked David Wheare and his team for all their help.

What do you think of it so far?

This is the third edition of the revived Window on Silver End village magazine. This one has more pages than the previous two owing to the large number of items submitted, for which I am very grateful. Do you like the magazine? What else would you like to see? What would you like done differently? Please let the Parish Clerk or me know. Jackie Nesbitt

9th Rivenhall Charity Golf Day - Rivenhall Oaks Golf Centre

Simon Brice has very kindly offered for the ninth time to host our Rivenhall Charity Golf Day at the Golf Centre. However, before taking up his kind offer, we need to find out whether there are enough golfers interested in taking part. Usually the day entails playing 18 holes and finishes with a meal in the Clubhouse.

Please would you give me a ring on 01376 515437 if you are interested in playing.

Thank you very much, Ann Kerr



This brief report was taken from the minutes of Silver End Parish Council's last Full Council meeting held on 9th February 2011.

Matters arising:

Cllr Manning sent a report stating that he has had a good initial response regarding potential adverts for the Silver End calendar; 6 village businesses would be happy to place an advert, 4 were not interested and 5 are thinking about it. He plans to prepare an advert for the notice boards and will liaise with Cllr Waine about putting them up.

Speed Indicator Device has been installed by the garage on Boars Tye Road and will be on a four month rotation.

Report from the Police

Report from PC Logan who offers his apologies for not being present at the meeting but is on a day shift:

'Crime:

I have checked crime figures for the month of January 2011 compared to January last year. Overall reported crime is similar this year compared to last; last year we had 6 offences, 3 offences of theft and similar, 1 of criminal damage, 2 other. This year there have been 7 offences, 2 Burglary (not dwelling), 0 offences of theft and similar, 2 of criminal damage, 3 other. There are no particular crime trends to be concerned about.

Nuisance Youth Calls:

Over the course of January there was only 1 report of youth nuisance.

Reports

Window on Silver End

The winter edition was delivered on time. Next deadline is 25/2 with delivery by 26/3. It was agreed that adverts should be charged as follows:

- £10 per ¼ page black and white.
- £30 whole page black and white.
- £15 per ¼ page colour.
- £35 per whole page colour.

Voluntary & non profit groups up to ¼ page black and white free of charge.

Clerk to invoice charges to advertisers. Cllr Waine to produce an article for the magazine about the upcoming election.

Outstanding issues with Essex County Council

Ongoing issue of tree planting in Temple Lane. Grant has been allocated but may be lost as ECC are taking a long time giving their permission to plant.

The reported potholes have been filled in Silver Street and on The Broadway roundabout.

General Reports

It was reported that:

There had been a complaint about the lack of heating in the village hall. Cllr Waine attended a site meeting with BDC, who provided extra temporary heating the following day.

Parking on village footways/pavements is on the increase. Councillors advised that any incidents should be reported to the Police as they occur.

Outside 1&2 Western Rd the pavement is not made of stone as it was dug up by the developer when it was built. BDC fail to enforce. Footpaths in School Rd and Valentine are in a very poor state. Cllr Abbott reported that he has chased this in the last week. A meeting is to be confirmed with multi party representatives in February.

(3) St. Francis church which is in Western Road. (4) St. Mary's church which is in Sheepcotes Lane. I have put our church first, not because it is any more important than the others but because we want you to notice us and realise we are a church as much as any of the others.

People attend different churches for different reasons. Often it is because of the way people prefer to worship and hear about God. Some are more formal. Some are informal. The Silver End Christian Fellowship comes into the informal category. Our worship songs are more modern and very beautiful music wise. We are happy for people to participate and ask questions. Our teaching comes totally from the Bible. If it is in the Bible we teach it. If it is not we don't. If people want to know about God it is essential that they go to the only source of our knowledge about Him, the Bible.

We would love to have you attend. Our activities are listed below.

Weekly Activities

Sunday 6.30 pm - Evening Worship - Village Hall

Thursday 1.30 pm - Nurture Group at 75 Broadway

Friday 7 pm - Jesus Course - at 7, Goslings

Although week time events are usually regular ring to check because occasionally it is altered

We have three websites. We would love you to visit them.

www.silverendchristianfellowship.co.uk

www.Jesustheway.co.uk

www.silverendchristianfellowship.piczo.com

You can contact us on

E-mail: Sylviabiodoros@talktalk.net

Telephone: 01473 682682

Silver End Congregational Church

Service Times - 10am and 6.30pm

You are warmly welcomed to these services

Those that do not know where the church is situated can find us at the west end of Silver Street, overlooking the Memorial Gardens.

A warm welcome is extended to you at:-

Coffee 'n Chat every Tuesday morning from 10.30am-11.45

'Tea at Three' every 1st & 3rd Wednesday, at 3pm. Get to know one another over tea and featuring *moving-gentle exercise, seeing-how to enjoy crafts, eating-recipes & tasting, believing-faith facts.*

SPECIAL EVENT - CHURCH OPEN DAY

Look out for the SCARECROW'S!!!!!!!

On The 21st May. From 11am - 4.30pm

FREE - ALL WELCOME - REFRESHMENTS



2011 Newsletter

*** * * 1st Aid Course * * ***

We want to run another 1st Aid course; if you are interested please give your name to a member of staff. The course is free of charge and is a 2 hour session covering 'Save a Baby' and resuscitation.

*** * * Focus Group * * ***

If you can spare 1 hour every 6 weeks to be part of our focus group we would very much like to see you at our meetings.

These meetings are very important to the running of the centre and it is a chance for parents to air their views about what they do and don't want here.

*** * * Sewing Machines * * ***

If you are able to use a sewing machine and would like to teach others please contact us at the centre. We have 6 brand new machines that are here for anyone to use.

*** * * Crèche * * ***

Our crèche is a well equipped play room with lots of bright modern toys, we have a fantastic home corner where children can pretend to cook and clean. Families are welcome to come up and use this room free of charge. Fed up with being at home come up to the centre and use our crèche, bring some friends as well, Grandparents also welcome. Check for availability by phoning or looking on our wipe board.

Find us on the 1st floor of the Village Hall, Broadway,
Silver End, CM8 3RQ Tele 01376 587960

BRAINTREE DISTRICT

Neighbourhood Watch

Listed below are some helpful tips that may assist you when calling the Police.



What number should I call? 0300 333 4444. If it is an Emergency such as a Crime happening at the time call 999. If you are a victim of crime TRY NOT to touch anything until the Police arrive. If you want to give information anonymously you can call Crimestoppers on Freephone 0800 555 111.

What can you do to help reduce Incidents of Crime? Be extra Observant .The only persons who really know the area in which you live are the people who live there. The Police may not note a suspicious person within your road BUT you probably would. Neighbourhood Watch Area are the eyes and ears of the community. Have you noticed persons hanging around the area? These persons may be on foot, on a bike or in a vehicle. Have you noticed a tool OR a piece of equipment that has been discarded? This may have been used to commit a crime. Have you noticed anything in a ODD location and thought it strange? Then REPORT it to 0300 333 4444. Even if you are a dog owner, when you are taking your dog for a walk you might see something suspicious if you do then do the following:-

Take note of:

- 1] Description of the suspect(s) male or female, ethnicity
- 2] Clothing (any patterns or logo's) age, height, build, hair, colour /style
- 3] Was the suspect holding anything, goods/ backpack?
- 4] Tattoos, glasses, if it is a man do they have a beard/moustache

Give any directions that the suspect is heading towards.....DO NOT worry if you do not have all the answers to the above, just try to remember as much as you can. Keep a pen and pad to hand if it helps you.

VEHICLE Information:- Try to take note of the following: registration number , colour, make of the car/van, model number, has the vehicle got any writing on the sides, and direction of vehicle.

If you note anything strange REPORT it straight away, and ring one of the numbers above.

Also be warned there have also been a spate of burglaries within the Braintree District; please make sure that all sheds are safely locked up at night with padlocks and please make sure that your house is safely locked when you are out and about. If you would like some help on security in your home please contact and ask for Stephen Armson-Smith on 0300 333 4444, Stephen is the Crime Reduction Advisor for the Braintree District.

Judy Hill Area NHW Co-ordinator Silver End 07896 975839

Essex County Council Minerals Consultation

The consultation on potential new minerals (sand and gravel) sites in Essex ended in February. Many people in Silver End took part following a public exhibition in the village hall and circulation of notes about the proposed sites by Silver End District Councillors.

Essex County Council are proposing that a series of extensions to Bradwell Quarry and new sites on and around Rivenhall Airfield should be excavated to the year 2028. There is concern about the concentration of these sites, which would result in 38% of all the minerals excavation in Essex being located in a belt from the current workings at Bradwell Quarry to Coggeshall Hamlet, affecting parts of the parishes of Silver End, Kelvedon, Coggeshall and Bradwell. Impacts would include footpath diversion, visual impacts and potentially noise and dust.

Local parish councils made representations accepting 2 modest extensions to Bradwell Quarry north of the former main airfield runway but opposing the much larger extensions and new sites south and east of the airfield that approach Silver End.

There will be several more stages in the process of deciding a final plan and so there will be further opportunities for residents to send in their views.

James Abbott, District Councillor for Silver End

Items (word limit 300) and advertisements for future issues should be sent to the Parish Clerk by email by dates below to :

parishclerk@silverendparishcouncil.gov.uk

If you do not have access to a computer please send in writing to the Parish Clerk

	<u>Deadline for items</u>	<u>Delivery date</u>
Summer	May 27 th	by 25 th June
Autumn	Aug 26 th	by 24 th September
Winter	Nov 18 th	by 17 th December

Advertising rates

Full page black and white	£30
Half page black and white	£20
Quarter page black and white	£10

Colour printing is limited and £5 extra

Voluntary & non profit making community groups ¼ page black and white free of charge, larger or colour, charged as above.

Silver End Gardening Club

We are a small club with members who have an interest in gardening. We have a variety of speakers throughout the year who give us talks and some show slides of interest. We also have an annual plant sale, a spring show. If you are interested in coming along to the club we meet in Silver End Village Hall Broadway Silver End on the last Tuesday of the month at 8pm. We have monthly competitions A monthly Raffle and Refreshments

FUTURE MEETINGS

29th March 2011 Spring Show Judges Roger and Jill Claydon

26th April 2011 Roy Hamick with talk and demonstration on Propagation with question time

Sat 21st May Annual Plant Sale outside shops Broadway 8:30 am - 12 noon

Any queries please contact 07896 975839.

Judy Hill

End to End Nature Care

Wednesday April 20th sees the beginning of the group's summer season of weekly evening activities, which continues all the way through to early September, when the daylight fades just too early to allow us to continue and we have to go into virtual hibernation again, relying on monthly indoor meetings to keep going.



Glow worm at Cressing

Below are details of the first few scheduled summer activities. For full details of these or future plans please phone Simon on 01621 810141 / 07947 388180 or visit www.e2e.silverend.org

20 Apr	19:30	Cowslip Survey. Meet in the parking area at the bottom of the track to Tarecroft Wood (TL824171).
27 Apr	19:30	Woodland spring plants in Rivenhall Thicks - meet at the sugar beet stand by the sharp bend in the Rivenhall/Silver End road (TL822187).
04 May	19:30	Birdwatching at Braxted Park with John Thorogood. Meet at the entrance to Pundicts Lodge on Braxted Park Road (TL865147).
11 May	19:00 early	Danbury Common & Hitchcock's Meadows. Meet promptly at the Armoury car park, just past the Cricketers Arms (TL779046) in Danbury.
18 May	19:30	Silver End pits and surrounds for birds & plants. Meet in the Western Arms car park (TL813193).

Organisations in Silver End

Bowls Club	Roy Howard	01376 583222 silverendbowlsclub@yahoo.co.uk
Children's Centre	Jane Carey	01376 587960/ 07876 656 043 jane.carey@4children.org.uk
Christian Fellowship	Silvia Wheatley	01473 682682 www.jesustheway.co.uk
Congregational Church	Sharon Gray	01376 583913 sharon@silverend.org
District Councillors	James Abbott & Philip Hughes (Green Party)	01376 584576 James_abbott@btinternet.com
Drama Club	Joan Hollocks	01376 584606
East Essex Caving Team	Nigel Wright	01376 583869 Chris.jnwright@tiscali.co.uk
First Responders	Melvyn Gymer	01376 585535 mgymmer58@btinternet.com
First Silver End Scout Group	Denise Sullens Smith	01376 583055 silverendscouts@aol.com
Friends of Silver End School	Nicky Parker	nickyjparker@aol.com
Friendship Club	Jan Ockelford	01376 584326 ocksmail@btinternet.com
Gardening Club	Cynthia Wright	01376 583485 cynthiawright@btinternet.com
Guiding Group, Silver End District Commissioner	Samantha Hutchings	07977418192 silverenddistrict@yahoo.co.uk
Jack & Jill Pre School	Michelle Dunn	01376 583048 youngmichelle@tiscali.co.uk
Luncheon Club	Helen Thompson	01376 583255
Mums & Tots	Elizabeth Bradley	01376 583618 Beth4red@aol.com

Naturecare	Simon Taylor	01621 810141 / 07947 388180 simon@e2e.silverend.org
Neighbourhood Police	PC Simon Hull	07974 457258
Neighbourhood Watch	Judy Hill	07896 975839 Judyhill@fsmail.net
Ramblers Club	Allan Gray	01376 583913 allan@silverend.org
Silver End Gad Abouts	Graham Eavery	01376 332113 / 07938 474536 silverendgadabouts@yahoo.co.uk
Silver End School	Carolyn Joyce	01376 583353
Silver End United football	Mark Edgell	01376 584639
St Francis Church	Church Warden	01376 513375
St Marys RC Church	Vivian Phillips	01376 583598
T@3	Lyn Parker	01376 583158 revjparker@tiscali.co.uk
Tennis Club	Jason Cairns	01376 584581 Jasoncairns15@msn.com
Western Arms Football	Kim Hollocks	01376 584606
Workers Educational Association (WEA)	Brian Gillion	01376 583706 brian@wea.silverend.org
Youth Football	Mark Awlward	01376 583920 mark@phouse.plus.com

If your organisation is missing from this list, or the details are incorrect, please let the Parish Clerk know .

01376 587976 Parishclerk@silverendparishcouncil.gov.uk