

Community Events

Meeting People

A subscription scheme has been introduced for entries to the Meeting People column.

Subscriptions cost £24 per annum (£1 per issue). If you would like your group to be included in the column, please apply to The Beeston Express for a subscription form using the contact details on page 2.

Attenborough & Chilwell Women's Club

Every Wednesday at 7.30pm. Douglas Taylor Room, Attenborough Village Hall. Talks, quizzes, outings, demonstrations and fund raising. Ladies welcome from all areas. Call 0115 925 6498 for more details

Attenborough Parish Church (St Mary's) is open for coffee every Tuesday morning, 10.30am until 12 noon. St Mary's is always worth a visit to look around, sit and think or light a prayer candle in our Peace Corner

Beeston & District Local History Society

Meets 3rd Wednesday every month 7.45pm in the Chilwell Memorial Hall, High Road, Chilwell. Talks by guest speakers of local & general historical interest. New members welcome. Contact 0115 925 8913 or 0115 922 6971 for details

Beeston in Transition

2nd Tuesday of the month from 10.30am to 12 noon at Flying Goose Café, 33 Chilwell Road, Beeston. Discuss ways to reduce costs to yourself and planet earth. Find friends to help make the transition to a low energy lifestyle. For details, contact David on 925 1018 or Mary on 854 2994

Beeston Players

Meet every Monday at 7.30pm, Beeston Library, Foster Avenue, Beeston. Whether you are looking to act or help with costumes, sound effects, lighting, props, scenery, or front of house, just pop along to meet us, call Debbie on 0115 939 8417 or visit www.beestonplayers.org.uk

Beeston Probus Club

1st and 3rd Monday each month in the Girlguiding Beeston Divison HQ, West End, Beeston. 10am for 10.30am. A social club for retired professional and business men. Contact Neville Bostock on 0115 922 6971 for more details

Bramcote History Group

Meets 3rd Monday each month, (except December). 8pm in St. Michael's Church Centre, Church Street, Bramcote. Varied program of historical talks and other events. Visitors welcome. For details call 0115 925 1491

Bramcote Women's Institute Monthly meetings are held on the second Monday at Bramcote Memorial Hall, Church Street, Bramcote, starting at 7.30pm. Speakers, quizzes and day trips. New members welcome, all women and girls over the age of 16 may join. Contact Secretary Jean Garner on 0115 922 6196 for more details.

Chilwell Afternoon Townswomen's Guild

Meets 4th Tuesday of each month (not August) at 2pm at Chilwell Road Methodist Church, Beeston. New members welcome. Call Mrs J Hughes on 0115 930 6451 for details

Chilwell Circle of Friends - for the Over 50s Meets on Monday afternoons at Grove Court, Central Avenue, Chilwell between 2pm and 4pm. Speakers, tea and entertainment. Phone 0115 925 1483 for more details

Christ Church Chilwell Bereavement Team

A Christian organisation willing to visit the bereaved in the parish of Chilwell. For more details, contact the Bereavement Co-ordinator, Christ Church Office, 6 College Road, Chilwell or phone 0115 922 2809

Disability Matters A local group for people with disabilities. Meet monthly, usually first Tuesday, in the Catholic Church Hall, Foster Avenue, Beeston (wheelchair accessible). 1.45pm - 3.45pm. (Dates may change due to Bank Holidays). Call Christine on 0115 925 1483 for details

The Friendship Club

Meets alternate Tuesdays, 2.30pm - 3.30pm at the United Reformed Church, Boundary Road, Beeston. Open to men and women over 50. Contact Mrs Underwood on 0115 922 4326 for more details

Hemlock Gardening Club

Meets 3rd Thursday of each month at 7.30pm at Memorial Hall, Church Street, Bramcote. New members very welcome. Annual subs £8.50, visitors £1. Contact 0115 925 2507 for more details

Inham Nook Café Church

Sundays 3.30pm - 4.30pm, at the centre on Pearson Avenue, Chilwell. Need a change on Sunday afternoon? Join us for tea/coffee, cakes and chat. All free!

Inham Nook Methodist Leisure Hour

Wednesdays between 2.30pm and 4pm. Inham Nook Methodist Church. Fellowship meetings and guest speakers. Contact Mrs Irene Davies on 0115 925 0712 for details

Mind Alert - Now in our 28th year!

Thursdays between 2pm and 4pm. The Conservative Club, Station Road, Beeston. Talks, quizzes, tea dances, games afternoons and outings. Contact May on 0115 854 5898 for details

New Beginnings An art group specifically for those below pensionable age but who are either disabled or no longer able to work due to chronic illness or health problems. The premises are wheelchair friendly. Parking is available. We meet every Wednesday, 1.30pm to 3.30pm at Beeston Oasis Church, Union Street, Beeston. Cost is £2 per session. Professional tutoring is available every other week. Contact Anthea on (0115) 913 9974 or 07814 318 402 for more details.

The Rotary Club of Beeston

Mondays at 6.45pm, Beeston Fields Golf Club. We welcome people from businesses and professions and use our skills to help others who are less fortunate. For details contact David Biggs at secretary@beestonrotary.org or Barbara Hadfield on tel: 07787 512 813

The Helpful Bureau

Every Thursday between 10am and 3pm. St Helen's Church Hall, Stapleford. M2M, Chiropodist, Massage, 2-course Lunch, Speakers, Trips. For information, call Margaret Bowen on 0115 949 1175

Toton Ladies Group

Meet every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month (except August) at Toton Methodist Church at 7.30pm. Speakers at most meetings, new members welcome. Admission £2 includes coffee and biscuits. Call Mrs Bainborough on 0115 973 3483 for more details

Two O'Clock Club

Every Thursday, 2pm - 4pm. Chilwell Road Methodist Church, Beeston. A varied programme of talks and outings. Admission £1. Visitors welcome. Contact 0115 925 9199 for details

Opening doors at the 'Sunken Church'

BRAMCOTE Old Church Tower, known to many people locally as 'The Sunken Church', has now had a new solid wood door fitted by a craftsman from north Nottinghamshire as part of the ongoing restoration programme at the church on Town Street.

The project, carried out by John Shaw, a craftsman recommended after someone had seen work of his at a vicarage in Lenton, took two days to complete.

Remedial lime pointing and the replacement of some eroded stone has been carried out recently at the church, thanks to the efforts of Jason Morden, Conservation Officer at Nottinghamshire County Council, but this had to be completed before the bats that roost in the church tower produced this year's offspring in early summer!

The tower restoration project has also finally received its registration as a fully-fledged charity, after many years of trying. A spokesman for the project said: "Now that we have all the numbers, trustees and documentation in place, we hope for Gift Aid donations in the future."

"We have already received a donation of £5,000 from a local resident, a most wonderful and generous donation. We've also had many compliments about the church tower and its preservation. People like what they see being put into place as part of the project."

"There will be plenty of opportunity to see the latest work during the Sunday open afternoons this summer. These include a Plant Fair on July 18 and a Strawberry Tea Fayre on July 25."

Friends of Bramcote Old Church Tower

Plant Fair

Sunday, July 18. 1pm - 4pm

Old Church Tower, Town Street, Bramcote

Refreshments available

Donations of plants welcome.

Please contact Peter Hillier, Tel: 925 2104

All proceeds to the tower restoration

Strawberry Tea Fayre

Strawberries and Cream, Jam and Scones

Sunday, July 25

1pm - 4pm

**Old Church Tower
Town Street, Bramcote**

£3 per person

All proceeds to the tower restoration



Cat Meetings

THE following Community Action Team (CAT) meetings are scheduled:

Beeston Rylands Tuesday, July 20 at 7.30pm
Beeston Rylands Community Centre, Leyton Crescent

Attenborough Wednesday, July 21 at 7pm
Lucy & Vincent Brown Village Hall

Toton & Chilwell Meadows Monday, July 26 at 7.30pm
Greenwood Centre, Chester Green, Banks Road



Barton Island Open Day

July 17

1pm - 5pm

Open to all interested parties - old members, current members, parents and prospective members are all welcome.

Ferry from opposite the island during the open period. BBQ, Tombola, Bouncy Castle, and a chance to see the Scouts in action: rowing, kayaking, sailing, etc.