

# BOTLEY NEWS

## Carols in the Square Sunday 16 December at 3pm

Traditional  
community carol  
singing with the  
New Forest Brass  
Band & All Saints  
Church Choir



Finishing at 4pm  
with a visit from  
Father Christmas

If it rains the singing will take place in the Market Hall

A road closure will be in place as detailed below

### TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE NOTIFICATION

**2PM TO 5PM**

**SUNDAY 16 DECEMBER 2018**

A334 BOTLEY HIGH STREET will be closed to traffic from MILL HILL  
to the MAYPOLE ROUNDABOUT, BROADOAK

Through traffic will be diverted along WOODHOUSE LANE and WINCHESTER STREET  
A334 BROADOAK will be open for access only

#### **Parking restrictions will apply in WINCHESTER STREET**

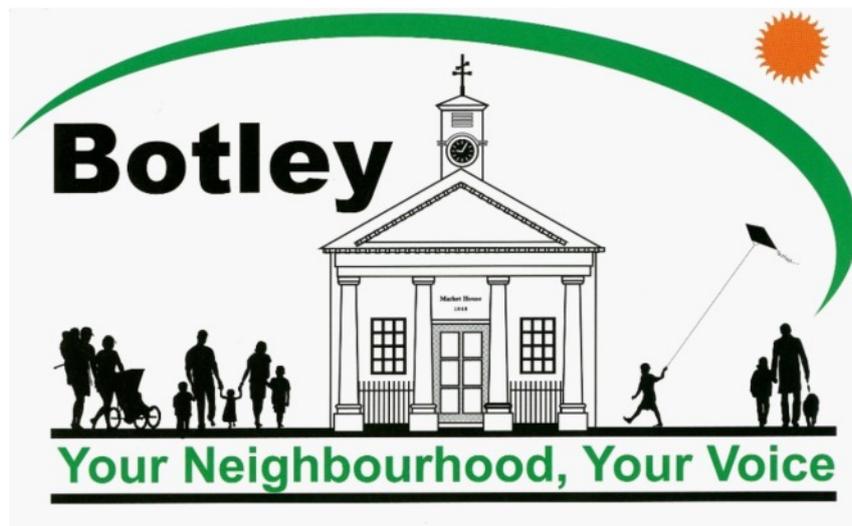
The closure has been arranged as part of the 'Carols in the Square' event in Botley Square

For further information contact Botley Parish Council 01489 787181

*The Parish Council is pleased to present the third Botley calendar. The 2019 edition features local landmarks as they looked during the first quarter of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.*

*The community has changed and grown since these pictures were taken but the qualities of village life that make Botley such a special place to live are still present.*

*With best wishes for the coming year.  
Cllr Colin Mercer, Chairman  
on behalf of Botley Parish Council*



## **BOTLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

After a pause of some months for reflection Botley Parish Council is re-launching its development of a Neighbourhood Plan, which on completion will be submitted to Eastleigh Borough Council.

You have an opportunity to reflect on what has happened recently and to influence how your village will develop in the future. You may already have taken part in one of the two previous local surveys or commented at the exhibitions held at the Botley Centre

We need local residents who would like to take an active part in the Neighbourhood Plan Committee to contact the Parish Clerk to find out what is involved and how to apply (by visiting the Parish Office in the Botley Centre, by phoning the Parish Office on 01489 787181 or by email to [parish.clerk@botley.com](mailto:parish.clerk@botley.com))

We will be arranging further public exhibitions at the Botley Centre and will advertise these as widely as is possible. We hope that you will come to one of these, both to see how the Neighbourhood Plan is progressing and to share your views with us about the future of Botley with us.

On behalf of Botley Parish Council  
Councillor David Weeden  
Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee



### **Botley Parish Council**

**The Botley Centre, High Street Recreation Ground,  
Botley. SO30 2ES**

**The Parish Office is open Monday - Friday**

**9.00am - 4.30pm**

**Tel: 01489 787181**

**Email: [parish.clerk@botley.com](mailto:parish.clerk@botley.com)**

**Parish Clerk: Janet Morgan**



I was just wanted to say a big heartfelt 'thank you' to all of the amazing groups and visitors who took part in the Botley Inside Out

Community Information Day on Saturday 6 October. Despite the wet weather there were 21 local groups along with Parish Councillors, 2 advice organisations and the local police and fire service. (Typically it was the only day that it rained that week and the Sunday was lovely!)

The planning group that organised the event is already thinking about what to do next; if you have any ideas and would like to get involved then please get in touch. We are so lucky to have such a great range of activities in the area so if you or someone you know has some time to spare, would like to do something a little bit different or would simply like to meet people and make new friends, there are lots of ways to get involved.

You could start by looking at the on-line community information guide: <https://botley.com/botley-directory>. Alternatively, please visit me Monday - Wednesday at the Botley Parish Office in the Botley Centre, email: [jacquie.rolls@botley.com](mailto:jacquie.rolls@botley.com) or call 01489 787181.

All the best, Jacquie Rolls  
(Community Worker, Botley Parish Council)



The Friends of Pudbrook volunteer group meets once a month on Wednesdays 2-4pm to work under the guidance of the Parish Council's groundstaff in this special wildlife area.

Even if you can only help a few times a year we would love to hear from you.

Regular jobs include clearance of undergrowth, Himalayan balsam, brambles etc, allowing native plant species such as bluebells to flourish; sometimes work is done on the banks of the Pudbrook stream and the pond area.

Gloves and tools are provided by the Parish Council; just bring your enthusiasm and suitable protective clothing and footwear.

**Dates for early 2019:**

**January: No meeting**      **20 February**  
**20 March**                      **17 April**

Please phone the Parish Office on 01489 787181 to find out more and to offer your help. We look forward to hearing from you.

## PLAY WALKING FOOTBALL



### WITH THE BOTLEY WRECKS!

Informal 5-a-side football for the over 60's every week on the High Street Recreation Ground MUGA.

No running or slide tackling, low impact but still competitive and played with passion!

**Cost: £3.00 per session, pay on the day.**

**Mondays 1 - 2.30pm & Wednesday 11.30am - 1pm**

Come to one session or both

For more information contact the Parish Council Office on 01489 787181 or just turn up for one of the sessions



Season's greetings  
to all our readers  
and special thanks to  
all the volunteers  
that deliver the newsletter

'Botley News' is produced 3 times a year and delivered to every household in the village.

If you would like to help with future deliveries in your area of the parish please contact the Parish Office on 01489 787181

This edition is smaller than usual and restricted to Parish Council news so that it can be delivered together with the calendar. The usual format will be resumed next year.



**Don't train in the dark  
on muddy grass pitches!  
Bring your team to  
BOTLEY MUGA.**

### **No extra charge for floodlights**

2 flood-lit all weather astro-turf pitches at the High Street Recreation Ground  
Timed sessions available Monday to Thursday between 6pm and 10pm. Competitive prices  
For details and prices phone 01489 787181 or email [Deborah.barnes@botley.com](mailto:Deborah.barnes@botley.com)

The MUGA is available FREE OF CHARGE to children and young people after school and during school holidays  
No need to book, just come to the Parish Council Office at the Botley Centre

### **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

Botley residents are invited to help keep their community safe by joining their local Neighbourhood Watch Scheme (NHW).

Mike Anthony, Chairman of Eastleigh Neighbourhood Watch Association said: "NHW provides a way for local people to contribute to making their own communities safer. NHW schemes can help by limiting the opportunities for crime and anti-social behaviour through increasing awareness of current, new and emerging threats and by getting residents to join together against crime and increase the sense of community." Within the borough there are already schemes all sizes, from just a few neighbouring households to groups of up to 80.

To find out more about joining or setting up a scheme visit the Eastleigh Neighbourhood Watch Association website: [www.eastleighnhw.org.uk](http://www.eastleighnhw.org.uk) or email [mikea.enwa.chair@gmail.com](mailto:mikea.enwa.chair@gmail.com).

**Additional copies of the 2019 calendar are available for sale at the Parish Office in the Botley Centre, price £3.00**

# BOTLEY REMEMBERS

The summer edition of the Botley News featured the story of the Nursesland, adjacent to the school crossing on the High Street, and the Parish Council's renovation of the area to mark the centenary of the end of the First World War.



The beautiful poppy sculpture, by New Forest ornamental blacksmith Colin Phillips, which features 100 individually made poppies, is the central feature of the memorial garden. When viewed from above the individual flowers form a single, giant poppy head.

The sculpture was dedicated on Sunday 11 November after the annual Service of Remembrance in All Saints Church.

The memorial wall at the back of Nursesland was decorated with one hundred hand knitted and crocheted poppies. A roundel of 33 knitted poppies decorated the top of the sculpture prior to its unveiling - one for every person in Botley who died in or as a result of the First World War.

The art work was unveiled by Cllr Colin Mercer, Chairman of the Parish Council, assisted by Eastleigh MP Mims Davies (Minister for Sport and Civil Society) and Rev. Gregg Mensingh gave a blessing.

The plaque in front of the sculpture reads:

*Commissioned by Botley Parish Council  
to mark the Centenary of the ending of WWI  
DEDICATED ON 11th NOVEMBER 2018*

*They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them.*



*The blessing of the sculpture showing just a few of the large crowd of all ages who attended the event.*



*Botley Parish Councillors and groundstaff admire the poppies. Colin Phillips who designed and made the sculpture is third from the left.*

Mr Dennis Stokes of the Botley, Curridge and Durley History Society has produced a booklet about the lives, service and death of Botley men who served in the 2 World Wars, which has been published by the Parish Council. It is a fascinating read, particularly in the light of all the present centenary commemoration events.

'Botley's Sacrifice in Two World Wars' is available from Botley Parish Office in the Botley Centre, price £1.50, which includes a £1 donation to the Royal British Legion.