



WEST BERGHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

VILLAGE NEWS

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Pot Holes

After all the wet weather we have experienced this winter some of our village roads and surrounding area have been badly affected. It is really easy to report a road problem to Essex County Council on their web site – www.essexhighways.org/report-a-highways-problem.aspx.

You can phone to report a problem on 0845 67 430 430. If we do not report problems they will not know what needs doing.

West Bergholt Emergency Planning

The purpose of an Emergency Plan is to detail the role of the Parish Council in the event of a declared emergency. This could include:- Natural disaster, Severe weather, Industrial accidents, Power failure, Failure of communications (phones/broadband), Transport disruption.

The responsibility for any action needed as a result of an emergency lies with the professional Emergency Services. They will be supported by the local authority and in particular Colchester Borough Council who have an Emergency Planning Officer. The role of the Parish Council would be to assist in implementing any plans. The Parish Council is currently drawing up procedural arrangements to respond to any declared emergency affecting the residents of the village. We will need a list of volunteers who will be required to be on stand-by for an emergency and a register of vulnerable residents would be drawn up with a high regard for confidentiality and be held by the Parish Council.

Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 21st May 2014 at 7.30pm in the Orpen Hall. Village residents are welcome to attend. At this meeting there will be further information about Emergency Planning and an opportunity to ask questions and find out information on other subjects within the Parish Council's remit.

The White Hart

The White Hart is now being managed by Ray and Tracey. We welcome them to our village. They are open all day for drinks and have lunchtime and evening menus. Sunday lunches can be ordered until 4pm and they are open until 6pm that day.

Any items for future newsletters, please contact Jenny Church Tel 240792