

About Birdingbury

Birdingbury is a small, friendly village. This leaflet cannot hope to give you all the contact information you might need but perhaps it will point you in the direction of people who can help you to be an active part of our community.

Your Parish Council		
Councillors	Guy French (Chair)	07538 583498
	David Preston	01926 633222
	Sara Kendell (Vice Chair)	07884 182176
	Simon Kent	07970 672795
	Carmel de Nahlik	01926 633198
Clerk	Jackie Chapman	
	clerk@birdingbury-pc.gov.uk	01926 716191

The Council meets at 7.30 pm in The Birbury on the third Monday of May, July, September, November, January and March. All are welcome to attend. The Parish Council website is www.birdingbury-pc.gov.uk and councillor emails follow the format of guy.french@birdingbury-pc.gov.uk.

What's going on

Birdsong is a bi-monthly village magazine edited by Lesley Fleming (632508)

It is delivered free to all houses in the village. To contribute content, please e-mail birdsong1@btinternet.com

The **Village WhatsApp Group** is a great place to ask for advice about local events or recommendations for a plumber or the like. It is also a great place if you need to borrow something or have something that you think someone might want 'pre-owned'.

Birdingbury Organisations and Activities

Our Parish Church is St Leonard's, which you'll find up the hill on the road to Frankton and Bourton. Details of church services and activities can be found in Birdsong, on church notice boards (outside church and behind the bus shelter) and on the website www.draycoteandleanvalleybenefice.com

Church Warden is Karen Armbrister who can be contacted on 07919 594559

Birdingbury Club - open Thursday-Saturday evening and Sunday 12-6pm

Membership: £12 a year Website: www.birdingburyclub.co.uk

The Club has darts, pool and skittles and often hosts both men's and women's teams depending in the season.

President: Tony Flint 632709

Steward: Suzie Mosby suzannemosby@outlook.com

The Birbury - this is the village community room, used for village meetings and available for hire, generally at no cost (contact Suzie at the Club). There are three Trustees – a Parish Council nominee (Guy French), a PCC nominee (Dick Withington) and a Club nominee (Tony Flint).

We have a **Community Cafe**, run by village volunteers, which is open Tuesday mornings from 10.30am to 12 noon in Birdingbury Club and the Birbury. We serve a good range of coffees and teas, and offer homemade cakes and savouries. Donations are suggested at £2 per person, and excess funds are donated to a variety of charities. Anyone is welcome to drop in at any time. Volunteers to help or bake are always welcomed.

Contact Karen Armbrister 07919 594559 and Jean Foroughi 07826 539775

Recreation Field - it has a wide variety of facilities: adventure playground, toddler swing, slide, all-weather games area and skateboard facility and small football pitch. Equipment is available to use;- netball posts, cricket, rounders — contact David Harrison (634312)

Allotment Association - The allotments are located on Long Itchington Road and are available for rent when there are vacancies. The Association obtains bargain seeds and holds a Produce Show in September with classes for fruit, vegetables, flowers and cooking.

Contact: Vic Shayler, 62 Oxford Road, Marton 632666

Swap Shop - villagers meet in the Birbury on Saturday mornings from 10.30 to noon to exchange produce, cakes, preserves etc. but also to chat over a coffee and cake. Birdsong carries information on any changes to the meetings.

Contact: Jenny Hawes, Gables House, Back Lane 632678
Diana Turner, Cedar House, Main Street 633721

Village Assets - there is a range of equipment (games, gazebos, play equipment, glasses, chairs, tables, crockery and cutlery) which can be borrowed free of charge.

Games, gazebos etc.: David Harrison (634312)

Crockery & cutlery: Rhondda Barney (632094)

Neighbourhood Watch - there are representatives covering various areas of the village for local co-ordination and there is a NHW alert WhatsApp group (email Jo to be added to this).

Jo Cutts - 07769 205581 johannacutts@gmail.com

Defibrillator - the village has a defibrillator which is in the former BT Telephone Box in Main Street. The Parish Council adopted the Phone Box and the defibrillator was purchased with funds raised by the Village and a grant from the National Lottery. The defibrillator is checked weekly by either of its two caretakers: Steve Edgar and Mark Thomas. If you have any queries regarding the defibrillator or need to report anything, please contact either Steve or Mark.

Other Useful Contacts

Rugby Borough Council (www.rugby.gov.uk for the Borough's services; there is also a Rugby Borough Council app with a range of services, such as bin-day reminders) **01788 533533**

District Councillor: **Dale Keeling** dale.keeling@rugby.gov.uk 07895 360442

Warwickshire County Council (www.warwickshire.gov.uk) **01926 410410**

County Councillor: **Dale Keeling** dale.keeling@rugby.gov.uk 07895 360442

Schools

Leamington Hastings C of E Infant School - located at Hill, the school takes children from 3 to 7 years. There is also an After-School Club and a Mother and Toddler group. School number: 632359

Dunchurch Boughton C of E School - for children from 7 to 11. School number: 01788 811028

(Transport is provided to both schools)

Rugby area has single-sex grammar schools, a bi-lateral school, a C of E secondary and two other non-selective schools. Southam College is also a non-selective secondary school.

School bus passes: Warwickshire County Council 01926 418620

Admissions: Warwickshire County Council 01926 742037; email: admissions@warwickshire.gov.uk

Buses - there are buses to and from Coventry and Rugby several times a day, there are no services on Sundays. The timetable is in the bus shelter.

Community Police - PCSO Dave Banks david.banks@warwickshire.pnn.police.uk

Safer Neighbourhood Team, Rugby Rural South (rrs.snt@warwickshire.police.uk, Tel: 01788 853851)

Local Recycling Centre - Stockton waste@warwickshire.gov.uk

Open on Sat & Sun: 1 Oct-31 Mar from 8.30 to 16.15; 1 Apr-30 Sept from 8.30 to 17.45

Leamington Hastings Village Hall - large premises available for hire.

Contact: Jill Ayres 07964 891742

Bourton Village Hall - medium sized hall available for hire.

Contact: info@bdfvillagehall.co.uk