

# Missing Link!



Brookthorpe-with-Whaddon Newsletter - December 2021

## Stop Press!

The next Parish Council Meeting will be on December 7th for details please visit:  
[www.brookthorpewithwhaddon-pc.gov.uk](http://www.brookthorpewithwhaddon-pc.gov.uk)  
OUR NEW WEBSITE!

Yoga classes in the Village Hall have returned! Tuesday 1.30 pm For info Call  
Annet Richards-Binns

Tel: 07811 304684

The Village Hall has re-opened for bookings - subject to any existing Covid 19 restrictions. For more information about hiring the Hall please visit;  
[www.bvhtrust.uk](http://www.bvhtrust.uk)  
OUR NEW WEBSITE!

*Christmas Draw*

*Tickets Available from*

*Eric - 0757 8880947*

*Vicki - 07720499221*

*Nigel - 01452 812628*

*Please support your local Village Hall - Thank You!*

*A Christmas Celebration  
Brookthorpe Village Hall*



**Nearly Upon US!**  
*11th December 2021 - 5.0 pm*  
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JOIN US AT  
**Brookthorpe Village Hall**  
TO  
**Celebrate Christmas**

**Sat 11th Dec**  
2pm to 5pm

Adults & Children Welcome

Music, Stalls, Gifts for Children, Teas &  
Coffees, Mulled Wine and Mince Pies -  
Relax and enjoy a fun few hours!

**ANNUAL VILLAGE HALL CHRISTMAS DRAW**  
**AT 3.30PM**

(For draw tickets contact Vicki Smart:  
07720499221 or email:  
[Brookthorpevillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:Brookthorpevillagehall@gmail.com))





# Brookthorpe-with-Whaddon Parish Council



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***So why not engage with the Parish Council*** and help to make a difference to the community and our rural setting. Parish Council Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month except for January and August. Some meetings are short and some not so, depending on the matters to be discussed. Meetings have resumed at Brookthorpe Village Hall **and start at 8.0pm**. Initial contact details are shown below. *It can be a rewarding experience!* **All meetings are open to the public.**  
**Thank you**

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**THE ROLE OF PARISH COUNCILLORS** The main role of a Parish Councillor is to represent the views of all residents within the Parish and to listen to, and understand, the views and needs of different groups in the community (such as young and older people). As a Councillor, there is a responsibility to be well informed, especially about diverse local views. Councillors cannot assume that they represent the interests of electors without consulting them. Parish Councillors are elected representatives, not volunteers or employees, and serve for a four year term, unless co-opted or elected in a bye-election when they serve until the next election. They must apply the law and comply with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct. **Brookthorpe-with-Whaddon has 6 Parish Councillors, although at the present time there are 2 vacancies.** Councillors contribute to the work of the Council by suggesting ideas, influencing policy, engaging in constructive debate and by responding to the needs and views of the community. Councillors comment on proposals to ensure the best outcome and vote to enable the Council to make decisions. Individual Parish Councillors cannot make decisions on behalf of the Council, but they can actively lead and engage with local projects. Parish Councillors have no powers outside of the Council meeting. Councillors from different backgrounds better represent the whole community and possess different enthusiasms, skills, attitudes and interests. Some Councillors work with ideas while others are very practical. The Parish Council needs a wide range of skills to work as a team. Occasionally there will be a conflict of interest requiring sensitive judgement, and the need to take difficult decisions in an open, honest and reasoned way. Councillors are also required to act in an ethical way and to declare an interest when necessary.

