

VIEW FROM THE PAVILION - PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER SPRING 2024



Headline news... the fish return

Following the completion of the extensive work to Matfield Pond at the end of 2023 the return of fish to Matfield Pond is imminent. There will be 30 Tench, 100 Roach/Rudd and 30 Perch and fishing, limited to children of the parish aged 16 and under, will be monitored. An information board on the history of the pond will be positioned in one corner and floating duck food can be obtained from Hammonds.

STOP PRESS...

- There is a new Parish Council project bringing exciting new equipment to Brenchley Recreation Ground – this will complete in April 2024
- Wooden posts stretching along a 100m boundary have been put in to mark the edge of the new woodland at Cinderhill, with dozens of trees planted
- The Speedwatch Team has new more powerful equipment and the Highways Improvement Plan has been approved to address existing improvements at Pixot Hill and outside the School as well as adding new requests to address safety concerns along Maidstone Road
- There is new fencing at Jack Verrall Gardens in Brenchley
- Vandalism to the barrier at Cinderhill has been repaired and a damage to land at Brenchley War Memorial has been repaired
- Elections: after an active 3-year term, the 9 vacancies on the Parish Council are available for election on 2nd May together with 3 TWBC Ward Councillors covering our parish ward "Rural Tunbridge Wells". Please remember to check if you need to take photo identification to the Polling Station.

Something you might like to know about the Parish:

Along Maidstone Road, near Kingsmead, towards Kippings Cross, was a lonely spot called Beggars Hollow, where tramps used to sleep. It was also a haunt of highwaymen, making it a dangerous spot to travel past at night.

...and finally

Contrary to the situation in most areas of Kent, our Parish is blessed with a large allotment site on Brenchley Road with plots available, these cost 60p per sqm per annum. There are different sizes available and a vibrant Allotment Tenants Association. Contact the Clerk for information.

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