



Welcome to – Brigstock

Village Welcome Pack

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Welcome message

Welcome to Brigstock. On behalf of the Parish Council I hope that you will settle quickly and happily into your new home and community. Whilst I am sure that your neighbours will be only too happy to help if you need pointing in the right direction we have developed this Welcome Pack for all new residents to help you find your way round the village and feel part of your community. I hope that you find this pack useful and that it will help you settle in to our happy and active community. Please feel free to call me or any of our Parish Councillors if you have any specific questions.

This information is also included on our website www.brigstockcouncil.org.uk and this is updated on a regular basis.

The Welcome Pack also includes a lot of information about local village groups that always welcome new members and volunteers.

Maggie Smith
Chair Brigstock Parish Council



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1 ST. ANDREWS CHURCH has an unusual Saxon stair turret dating from 750 to 800 A.D. An earlier church was burned down during the 9th Century Danish invasions. To the right of the path leading to the church is the Lyvedon Family vault and inside the church is the tomb of Lord Lyvedon.

2 In 1400 Edward IV granted Brigstock a market which was held on the Hall Hill. The MARKET CROSS is ancient and bears the initials and dates of the Queens of England commencing with E.R. 1586 (Elizabeth I).

3 The Congregational Church now named the UNITED REFORMED CHURCH was built in 1700 and has a copy of the Breaches Bible.

4 The WATER MILL is recorded in the Domesday Book and was in use until 1910. The house is now a private dwelling but the wheel is still intact.

5 The village primary school is called LATHAM'S CHARITY SCHOOL because it was founded by Rev. Nicholas Latham of Barnwell. The old school stood on a mill wall where the War Memorial now stands.

6 The WOODLAND PYTCHLEY KENNELS were established by a division of the famous Pytchley Hunt in 1874. Lord Londsdale was once Master of the Foxhounds.

7 The long narrow building in Old Dry Lane (Old Grove Road) was opened in 1874 by Wallis and Linnell as a clothing factory. It closed in the 1970s and is now used as offices.

8 The MANOR HOUSE was built in 1150 as a Royal Hunting Lodge. Various Kings of Geddington and Farming Woods. King John stayed here several times and held court in February 1207. The Montague family ancestors of the present Duke of Buccleuch became connected with the manor in 1300. It was considerably added to in about 1550.

9 The METHODIST CHAPEL, along Park Walk was built in 1843 and was used by the Salvation Army before becoming the Women's Institute.

10 BRIGSTOCK COUNTRY PARK More information available at Farmyn Woods Country Park on our 'Farmyn Woods and Rockingham Forest' Display.

Based on Ordnance Survey maps with the addition of the information of the Brigstock Parish Council.



Parish Council

Your parish council is a local authority that makes some decisions on behalf of the people in the parish. It is the level of government closest to the community with North Northamptonshire Council above it in the hierarchy.

The parish council is often the first place people will go with concerns or ideas and for this reason it is a vital part of the community.

Brigstock Parish Councillors

Margaret Smith Chair 01536 373209
Sally Wilks V.Chair 01536 373428
Ken Motion Chair of planning 01536 373598
Elizabeth Searle Councillor
Julie Lemmy Councillor
Simon Brown Councillor
Susan Doolan Councillor
Max Marsden Councillor
Faye Perkins Councillor
Suzanne Sharp Councillor
Terry Towns Councillor

Ms Sophie Cullinan Clerk 07923 441873 brigstockcouncil@aol.com

Parish Council Meetings

There are 10 Parish Council Meetings per year held on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm. Meetings are held in the village hall. Notice of the meeting and agenda are posted on the village notice board and website about a week in advance. Members of the public are welcome to attend. There are no meetings in August or December

Website

Further information about the Parish Council including minutes of meetings can be found on the Parish Council website: www.brigstockcouncil.org.uk

Parish Council responsibilities

The parish council is responsible for Street Lighting, St Andrews Church Yard, Village Cemetery, War Memorial site and the recreation ground in Bridge Street.

Roads, Footpaths, grass verges are the responsibility of North Northamptonshire Council



Other local representatives

North Northamptonshire Council 0300 126 3000

www.northnorthamptonshire.gov.uk

Our Councillors are

- David Brackenbury, David.Brackenbury@northnorthants.gov.uk
- Wendy Brackenbury Wendy.Brackenbury@northnorthants.gov.uk
- Geoff Shacklock, Geoff.Shacklock@northnorthants.gov.uk

Our Member of Parliament Tom Pursglove : 020 7219 8043

tom.pursglove.mp@parliament.uk,

Village Magazine

This quarterly magazine is produced by the village hall committee and keeps you informed of forthcoming events and other developments within the village. The magazine is delivered to all villagers free of charge every three months.

The editor of the magazine is Mr. Chris Allen chrisallen043@gmail.com



Parish Church

St Andrews

Rector: Rev Heather Lowe

e-mail: beneficeoffice5@btinternet.com

Village contact Allison Porter on 01536 373509



United Reform Church

Minister Rev. Samuel Silungwe

e-mail: s.silungwe@yahoo.com

Village contact Mrs Sheila Smith 373225

There is a meeting room (June Small Room) at the Church to hire for small groups



Village Hall



The Village Hall is the centre for many village events and is available for private hire. It is located in Bridge Street
Booking Secretary: Mrs R Briggs Tel: (01536) 373579 e-mail-: rosybbriggs@btinternet.com

Pubs



Green Dragon
Hall Hill
01536 373870



The Three Cocks
High Street
01536 370167

Shops



Co-op
High Street
01536 373223



Bake and Brew
High Street
Contact Marzena on :-
01536 373601
07506114922



Emporium Salon
Church Street

Local clubs and societies

We are very proud of the amount and variety of social activity in the village. Most of these groups are run by volunteers and are often looking for help to ensure they can continue to flourish. If you think that you can help out in any way then please get in touch with the contacts below.



Women's Institute
Nikki Wills 07912 517121
The WI meet the 2nd Tuesday at the WI hall in
Park Walk
The hall is available for hire for small groups
and activities contact Jenny on 01536 373486



Kurling

Contact details
Judith Beeby 01536 373672
1st and 3rd Wednesday of the
month in the village hall from 2 till
4

Art clubs

June Small Room at URC Mill
Lane Friday 10 to 12 Contact
details
Sue Philips 01536 370144

Book Club

June Small Room at URC Mill
Lane
Last Friday of every month
2.30pm

Historical Society

4th Wednesday of the month in the
Village Hall @ 7:30 pm
Contact details Bill Simon
01536 373388
simon.bill428@gmail.com

Knit and Natter

Meet every Wednesday 10am to
12 noon at the Village Hall
Contact details
Steph Beckett 373422

Scrabble Group

Meet in the June Small Room at
URC Mill Lane.
1st and 3rd Mondays 10 till 12
Contact Judith 01536 373367

Open Door (Coffee Morning)

Contact details. Sharon Eldred
Every Tuesday morning 9:30 till 11:30 in the
Joan Small Room at the United Reform
Church

Cricket

Contact details
Pete Burdett 01536 373478

Movement to Music

Meeting in Village Hall, Bridge Street.
Thursday 2 till 3
Contact Janet Oldham 373560

Ladies Leisure

Meet 3rd Monday of each month at the
United Reform Church in Mill Lane Contact
details
Sheila Smith 373225 or
Sharon Eldred 373832

Film Club

Contact details Emma Poole
01536 370142

Mums and Tots

Meet in the June Small Room at URC Mill
Lane.. Wednesdays 10 till 12
Contact Amy 07828930147



Over 60s groups

Sunnysiders

URC June Small Room
Tuesday 2 till 4pm
Contact details
Mrs Druce 01536 373383

Mens Group

Contact details Robin Philips
01536 370144
June Small room in URC. Mondays
10:30 till 12 noon (Meet every two
weeks)

Brigstock Archaeological Group

If you are interested in joining e-mail
brigstockarchaeologicalgroup@gmail.com

North Northants Astronomy Club (NNac)

Meet Village hall upstairs
1st Friday of the month. 8pm-10pm
Contact
[facebook.com/NorthNorthantsAstronomy](https://www.facebook.com/NorthNorthantsAstronomy)

Regular events in the village

Brigstock beer festival Village Hall and Meadow, See publicity information nearer the time. www.brigstockbeerfestival.com

Christmas tree lighting. Village square, See publicity information nearer the time

Firework event. The meadow Bridge Street. See publicity information nearer the time

Mayday. Brigstock Primary School 01536 373282 See publicity information nearer the time

Living advent. Contact Karen Williams brigstockadvent@hotmail.com
See publicity information nearer the time

Remembrance Sunday Village Square War memorial site

Woodland Pytchley Hunt, Meet on Boxing day on village square

Parks/Recreation Spaces

Swing park Located between Lyveden Road and Sandlands Avenue

Recreation Meadow Located on Bridge Street and contains the MUGA

Pocket Park Located on the corner of Barnards Way and Lyveden Road

Fermyn Woods Country Park Walking, wildlife spotting and fishing in a diverse landscape of meadows, marshes, forest and ponds. Lyveden Rd, Brigstock,
Office Hours: -9am–5pm 0300 126 5933

Friends of Fermyn Woods Country Park Contact John Leech 01536 373376
e-mail e4johnl@btinternet.com



Health

General Practitioners

Brigstock Surgery 01536 373283 Bridge Street, Brigstock Northants NN14 3ET
The Surgery is open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 8:00 am – 1:00 pm
Tuesday 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Minor Injuries Unit and Urgent Care (open 8 till 8)

The Willowbrook Health Complex, Cottingham Road Corby NN17 2UR
Unit. 01536 202121

Hospitals (Accident and Emergency)

Kettering General Hospital Rothwell Road Kettering Northants NN16 8UZ
General enquires Tel: 01536 492000 Fax: 01536 493767 E-mail: enquiries@kgh.nhs.uk

National Health Service (non-emergency) 111 www.nhs.uk

Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator

Contact Glenda Stephen to find the coordinator for your street
01536 373987

Children and education –

Primary

Brigstock Latham's Primary School

14 Latham Street
Brigstock
Northants.
NN14 3HD
Phone: 01536 373282
www.brigstockprimary.org.uk

Transport

Buses

There are regular bus services to Kettering, Corby, Thrapston. Bus stops on Hall Hill, Stanion Road and Sudborough Road. See timetable at bus stops and on parish website homepage



Trains

Trains operate through the following stations:

Corby

Kettering

Peterborough

Community transport schemes

Volunteer Action Helping you to stay active in your community. They provide a car scheme for those who cannot access public transport, not just the hospital and doctor's surgery. There is no membership fee. We do need 2 working days notice of drives but will consider medical drives at any time.

01832 275433 admin@volunteeractionoundle.org.uk

Libraries

Local public libraries are located in the following Towns.

Corby The Cube Parkland Gateway George Street, Corby NN17 1QG
0300 126 1000

Kettering Sheep St, Kettering NN16 0AY 0300 126 1000

Thrapston High St, Thrapston NN14 4JJ 0300 126 1000

Household waste and recycling

Recycling Centres (Tips) (Northnorthamptonshire Council)

Corby Kettering Road, Weldon NN17 3JG open 5 days a week, 10am till 6:00pm
closed Wednesday & Thursday.

Kettering Garrard Way, Telford Industrial Estate Kettering NN16 8TD
Open 5 days a week, 10:00am to 6:00pm closed Monday & Tuesday

Household waste collection (Northnorthamptonshire Council)

Fortnightly collections alternate

Week one recycling (green bin)

Week two general waste (Black Bin)

Food waste (Small Green Bin) collected weekly.

There is also available a brown bin for garden waste for annual fee. Contact

Northnorthamptonshire Council on 0300 126 3000



Some Village History

Brigstock has been the largest village within Rockingham Forest since medieval times and the population, exceeding nine hundred since 1500, has remained relatively constant since that time. Rockingham Forest was a royal hunting forest designated by William the Conqueror around the time of the Domesday survey. The forest was split into three administrative areas (known as bailiwicks) and Brigstock was the administrative centre for the bailiwick of "Bricstoc".

Forest officers held manorial courts at Brigstock Manor House until they were abolished in 1817. 18th century maps show that most of Brigstock parish was covered by ridge and furrow with a few hedged fields immediately around the village. The present style of the village, with its closed plots containing gardens and small barns or outbuildings with a variety of uses interspersed amongst its dwellings, was established at the time of enclosure which occurred comparatively late to the rest of England. The style was reinforced when villagers received portions of land close to the village in compensation for commons rights lost during enclosure. It is only recently that the working farms within the bounds of the village have been lost.

Historic Features The parish church of Brigstock, St Andrews, is Saxon in origin. The church contains a semi-circular stair turret and nave dating from the late tenth century. Brigstock's Saxon tower is one of only three in the country. The church also comprises a Norman north aisle, a 13th century Lady Chapel, a tower raised in the 14th century and a later spire.

Brigstock Manor House dates in part from the mid-12th century. It is believed to have been used by King John as a hunting lodge at the turn of the 13th century and was later occupied by the Montagu family.

The village market cross, situated in Hall Hill, has been dated from 1586 and the weekly market was held here until 1623.

Wallis' factory at the junction of Back Lane and Old Dry Lane was a clothing factory from 1872 to 1979.

The kennels of the Woodland Pytchley Hunt have been situated on Kennel Hill since 1873. Although the dogs have moved they still meet on Hall Hill on Boxing Day.

The Coronation Oak, planted to mark the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, stands at the junction of Grafton Road and Sudborough Road.