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Editorial

Even the most determined ostrich cannot have failed to notice that COP 27 is taking place at the moment, and the world's leaders are debating how to save the planet from imminent disaster – or at least be aware that our climate is changing, and not for the better.

In most crises, there is little we can do, apart from wring our hands in despair or bury our heads in the sand. We might lobby our MP or sign a petition but in the end the outcome is not in our control.

The climate crisis is different though. While we may pretend that it is the failure of governments that is propelling us towards catastrophe, it is a simple truth that if we all tried to cut our travelling by half, eliminate any wasteful power usage and generally reduce our consumption, the problem would rapidly diminish.

We have a choice: to live as ostriches or to face up to our responsibilities as trustees of the planet.

Remembrance Service

Friday 11th November *by Adrianne Woodward*

Birlingham will be commemorating Armistice Day this Friday, 11th November at an outside service taken by Peter Stansbie.

People are asked to assemble by 10.50am around the War Memorial on the Village Green for the short service of remembrance.

Refreshments will be available afterwards in the church.

Birlingham IW

Thursday 20th October *by Caryl Mills*



Our November meeting will be held on Thursday 17th November in the Village Hall, starting at 7.30 pm. Our speaker will be from Pershore Food Bank, detailing the work that they do and the difference they make.

Guests always welcome for a £3 fee. Looking forward to seeing you.

Sunset over Asham Meadow, 17th October (Photo: June Hiden)



Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 16th November

The next meeting of Birlingham Parish Council takes place on Wednesday 16th November at 7.00pm in Birlingham Village Hall. During the meeting there is an opportunity to express your views on local issues, so please go along.

The agenda for the meeting will be available at:
http://www.birlingham.org/pc_info/pc_agenda_2022-11-16.pdf
and the draft minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting on 21st September can be viewed at:
http://www.birlingham.org/pc_info/pc_minutes_2022-09-21.pdf.

Residents Urged to Put Their Bin Out on Time

by Ian Dipple, Wychavon District Council

The time waste and recycling bins are collected across Wychavon may change for some residents this week.

Changes are being made to all waste and recycling collection rounds across Wychavon to further improve efficiency and ensure the current high standard of service is maintained.

Across the district, collection days will remain the same but the time bin crews arrive may change from what people are used to.

To make sure nobody misses their bin collection, residents are being urged to make sure their bin is out by 7.00am on the day of their scheduled collection. Crews will collect anytime between 7.00am and 6.00pm.

Cllr Emma Stokes, Executive Board Member for Resident and Customer Services on Wychavon District Council, said: 'We know some residents are used to collection crews arriving in their street at a certain time and so will delay putting their bin out until then. Because of the round changes, crews may arrive at a different time from next week.

'Please make sure your bin is out by 7.00am on your scheduled collection day. If you don't do this then unfortunately we cannot come back to collect your bin until the next scheduled collection.

'I thank residents for their patience while we make these necessary round changes to futher improve the high quality service we already offer.'

Anyone who would like to check their collection day and what bin to put out should visit www.wychavon.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling for more information.

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Cyclamen at St James' Church, 2nd October (Photo: Nikki Hollier)



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Bystander Archives



For the Summer 2002 edition of the *Birlingham Bystander*, the editorial team had three new members: Alan Callender, Eileen Hine and Jayne Mackenzie. Meanwhile, Harry Porter, who had initiated the *Bystander* 20 years earlier, stood down. The regular 'Passing Thoughts' article is written by Jayne.

The first article in this edition contains reports by inspectors of Birlingham Village School between 1897 and 1908. Articles follow by Carolyn Smith on gardening and Tony Hall on the restocking of his farm. There is a flurry of letters from villagers and ex-villagers, including one containing information about the 1953 Coronation.

The issue contains a report of 'Laughter in the Dark', the latest production by Birlingham Drama Group and an account by Dawn Addison of her life as a child in Birlingham in the 1940s and 1950s.

Other articles include Bulb Sunday, the Village Hall upgrade, the Blossom Car Run (in aid of the Village Hall) and an amusing article by Helen O'Connell on the trials and tribulations of being in a classical music trio. There is a piece on the Harry Windows memorial window and reports of various village organisations.

Welcomes include Bink and Jane Hayes, Carl and Jayne Brassington, David and Joy Salt, and Steven and Marion New. The Christening of Douglas Oakes (grandson of Roy and Gus Copson) is recorded, as is the memorial service for Bernard and Margaret Hancock.

Issue 47 of the *Bystander* can be viewed at:
www.birlingham.org/village/bystander/issues/bystander047.pdf

Dates for your diary

November

Fri 11	Remembrance Service, 10.50am, Village Green
Wed 16	Birlingham Parish Council, 7.00pm, Birlingham Village Hall
Thu 17	Birlingham IW, 7.30pm, Birlingham Village Hall
Sun 20	Holy Communion, 10.30am, St James' Church

December

Sat 3 & Sun 4	Tiddesley Wood Log and Woodchip Sale, 10.00am–1.00pm
Sun 4	Morning Praise, 10.30am, St James' Church
Wed 7	Cuppa & Chat, 3.00–4.30pm, Birlingham Village Hall
Sat 17	Christmas Meet and Greet, 7.00pm, Birlingham Village Hall
Sun 18	Carol and Christingle Service, 6.00pm, St James' Church
Sun 25	Christmas Day Holy Communion, 10.30am, St James' Church

January

Sat 7 & Sun 8	Tiddesley Wood Log and Woodchip Sale, 10.00am–1.00pm
Sat 21	Burns Night Supper, 7.00pm, Birlingham Village Hall

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