

Newsletter of The Bean Residents Association

Our 50th Year

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BEAN'S TALK

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We welcome all new residents to the village and to the Bean's Talk ,
The Residents Association's Quarterly Newsletter.
Please feel free to contribute your thoughts, ideas and comments.

The Residents Association wish all our readers

A safe and Merry Christmas.

Bean School

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE see page 8

Bean Crime figures for September see page 26.

Beacon Wood Country Park see page 15.

The Merry Chest reopens see page 5.

Fly tipping on School Lane see page 20.

Broadband Update see page 10.



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**THE COPY DATE FOR THE MARCH 2016
BEAN'S TALK is MONDAY 29th FEBRUARY 2016.**

Common abbreviations used in the newsletter

KCC Kent County Council

Cllr. Councillor

PanelMeeting

DCLG Dept. for Commodities and Local Governments.

DBC. Dartford Borough Council

KHS Kent Highway Services

NPM Neighbourhood

RA Residents Association

PCSO Police Community Support Officer

Information from the monthly meetings in September, October

The September Meeting.

16 people attended:

Duncan Wood (Chair); Linda Collins (Honorary Secretary); Ashley Johnson (Assistant Secretary); Irene Luker (Treasurer); Kay Johnson; David Oldcorn; David Tweedie; Peter Luker; E Bishop; Mick Parsons; K Puttock; George Stillwell; David Oldcorn; Fred & Betty Clarke; Cllr Dave Hammock (Guest).

8 Apologies:

Cllr and Mayor Ian Armitt, Russell Joyce, Chris Porcas, Simon Hancock, Ken Jeavons, Neil Fuller, Bill Headde (Beanstalk Editor), Jan Becket (BPC Clerk)

Minutes of previous AGM: The minutes of the previous AGM were read and with one change were signed by Duncan Wood (Chair).

It was proposed by Cllr Dave Hammock and seconded by Peter Luker that the Committee be **re-elected 'en bloc'**. This was agreed. Colin Smith is now the Auditor, so cannot be on the Committee. There were vacancies for others

[**New Committee for 2015/2016:** Local Councillors are honorary members including Dave Hammock & Alison Sakellariou]

Election of Committee of up to 20:

Duncan Wood	(Chair)	Russell Joyce
Vacant	(Vice chair)	Celia Dennison
Linda Collins	(Secretary)	Chris Baker
Ashley Johnson	(Assistant Secretary)	Martin Nicholls
Irene Luker	(Treasurer)	Ken Jeavons
Vacant	(Press Officer)	Mr Puttock Bill
Headde	(Bean's Talk Editor)	David Oldcorn
Mr. E Bishop		Mark Parsons
Neil Fuller		

- Election of Vice Chair -)
- Election of Press Officer -) *These posts will be confirmed at the November meeting.*

The October meeting.

15 people attended:

Duncan Wood (Chair); Linda Collins (Honorary Secretary); Ashley Johnson (Assistant Secretary); Irene Luker (Treasurer); Reg Cousins; Mick Parsons; Ken Puttock; Peter Luker; Celia Dennison; George Stillwell; Dave Tweedie; Neil Fuller; Chris Porcas; Mr & Mrs Clarke.

3 apologies:

Cllr Dave Hammock , Martin Nicholls, Bill Headde (Bean's Talk Editor).

Minutes

of the previous RA Meeting held on 3rd August 2015 were read, approved and signed by Duncan Wood (Chair).

Matters arising:

Dave Tweedie queried if rubbish left on Watling Street was from the caravan and red transit parked there. The minute was because, in May, DBC had issued an alert about the transit carrying waste without a licence. The van and caravan were moved from Hawley recycling lay-by. DBC alleged Mr Brazil was clearing and dumping waste.

Secretarys Report.

Ashley Johnson (Assitant Secretary) reported that there had been 35 items of correspondence on 11 topics since the previous meeting:

- 2 x Police
- 1 x Showmen Travellers
- 3 x Highways England
- 4 x Paramount
- 1 x Northfleet Objectors
- 2 x Broadband
- 13 x Ebbsfleet Development Corporation (EDC)
- 2 x Consultations
- 3 x Bluewater
- 1 x Royal Oak
- 3 x Meetings

Ebbsfleet Development Corporation Board:

Ashley Johnson attended the meeting. 6 people from the public attended. Bean/Northfleet send in regular questions which have to be answered at the meeting. The next meeting is to be held on 21st October 2015 at the North Kent Community Centre, Eastgate.

Ebbsfleet Local Stakeholder Working Group:

Local participants, similar to Bluewater Forum, attend; the topic was "Crowd Funding".

Bluewater Forum:

Ashley and Linda attended the last meeting. Had presentations on Paramount Resort and Ebbsfleet Garden City.

Showmen Travellers application, Drudgeon Farm-Update:

Paul Nicholls (DBC) said "The application is still being held in abeyance pending the submission of further supporting information that has been requested by the Council."

Royal Oak Site.

Up for auction in July at £450k - did not sell. Reduced to £425k in September auction. Described as "withdrawn" on 11th October 2015.

Doctors Surgery-High Street:

Building owner considering a change of use. If this goes ahead, the Swanscombe & Bean Partnership may move to a portable building on land near Bean School.

Paramount and Bean Interchange:

Paramount Development Consent Order application deferred until the middle of 2016. Bean Interchange - Highways England told us on 6th October that they "will be presenting some traffic scenarios to Local Authorities at the end of October. It may be better timing to meet you after this, when we will have better information to share with you". We have sent them a copy of the Press Notice regarding the Paramount delay.

Highways Maintenance:

KCC repaired the damage to the road, in front of the bay where the concrete pump lorry parks, in Stonewood.

To raise the matter of the crack in the footpath in front of the Recreation Ground.

Village Design Statement:

No further progress on setting up meeting with Mark Aplin.

Parish Council/Country Park:

Parish Council - Nothing different to matters raised by Bean RA. PC propose to issue a magazine between the December March Bean's Talk.

Country Park - A meeting will held on 30th October regarding the Heritage Lottery bid. The BY&CC Annual Meeting was held on 5th October. The area of grass at the back of the Hall is to be replaced by artificial grass. Options for roof replacement being considered to extend life by 10 years.

AOB:

- Street lights are out on the Bean Roundabout [reported to Kent Highways].
- Six hour power outage on Tuesday 13th October for replacement of electricity poles at Hope Cottages- letters sent to those affected including Bean Triangle homes and businesses. [Also affected traffic lights at Bean Bridge Pelican Crossing].
- Light in the park - comes on during the day, but not at night
- Rubbish in Sandy Lane - who deals with clean-up? - Contact DBC Environmental
- Fly-tipping in Shellbank Lane causing its closure.
Large container full of old tyres dumped in the lay-by in Watling Street - contact KCC.

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A Walk in the Country Park

IT'S A PLEASANT MORNING, though nothing special. I'm taking the dog for her morning walk in Beacon Country Park for a change. There won't be too many walkers around at 8.30am - if any. I park in my usual corner as close to the beginning of the walk as possible and as far away from other cars as I can get. I don't want to start the walk with a shouting match - My Molly hates other dogs and isn't too fond of people if it comes to that.

All's well. There's only one other car there, so we ought to get some time off the lead, as long as I keep my eyes peeled and go to parts of the wood no one else goes to. That last bit's not difficult. Most people who use the park are pretty unadventurous.

Molly leaps out of the boot firmly attached to her extending playlead. She heads down the familiar main path towards the lake. No one's around as far as I can see but I think we'll move off the beaten track. I take a rarely used path I know leads to the ruins of the old black powder factory that formed this part of the site - gunpowder for shotgun cartridges - and smokeless gun propellant in the war, I've heard. It would make a super site for Time Team one day, if they could be persuaded to do one of their industrial archaeology digs.

Off piste, I can let Moll run free. She dashes off back to the main path but comes as soon as I whistle and realises we're going somewhere far more interesting. I head for the 'secret pond' - probably once a drainage pit for the factory. It's water level's lower than I've ever seen it before. Fortunately, it's fenced off so people can't go paddling. Molly would be in there like a shot otherwise. She wouldn't go in past the natural plimsoll mark around her body at elbow height though.

We're walking the seldom used tracks over what was once a dump, heading into the more pleasant part of the old wood. It'll soon be a carpet of bluebell shoots. Not long now - perhaps another few weeks, when the ground has had a chance to warm through and the sun gets a touch warmer. This area's a sea of nettles in summer and unwalkable.

We hit the path south of the big pond - pitifully empty now. I try to remember when it was I walked here - probably with old Buster Bill, before Tiger Tim came along to fill his paws. It was later in the year. The water level was a foot or so above the wooden bridge at the east end. It would have been over the top of our boots had we tried to wade across, noticing wet, muddy paw prints on the track as we head westwards, I put Moll back on her lead better safe than sorry. We head for the picnic area at the west end of the park. Still

no sign of anyone else with or without a dog but it's all too easy to come face to face with someone without warning in these woods, even when the leaves are thin to non-existent. We cross the grassy area and head back north into the quarry area of the woods. It's mainly birch trees up here.

I turn south again and walk across the dry bed of the pond. I can let Molly off for a bit until we hit the main path again. She immediately finds a stick to run off with - a big one. As always, I have to kick it for her every few yards. She never tires of this harmless little game - easily pleased.

There's only one small area of water at the northeast corner of the pond, otherwise it's as dry as a bone - green enough, though. The few children allowed out to play here have obviously been having fun making tracks and dens in the reed beds. In wetter weather they're a haven for water birds, mainly coots. I've seen the odd duck, too. They probably come up here from the Thames, a couple of miles away 'as the duck flies'.

Better head back to the carpark now. I'll take a roundabout route. I like to stay off the beaten track. It's good to see a few primroses peeping through, although I wish they would spread a bit faster. There's nothing nicer than a primrose wood in early spring, before the trees burst into leaf. Won't be long now, I tell myself. Looking around, the birch trees are still showing no sign of coming into leaf, while the chestnut and oak saplings that have come up amongst them in the last twenty years or so are still hanging on to their winter weeds - last year's leaves in multiple shades of gold, ranging from the lightest pale yellow, to dark copper.

We're crossing the general run of paths now, heading north towards the steps opposite the old School House - nice new ones. A while ago I discovered that someone had removed the bench at the top of the flight pity - It used to be a handy place for a rest after a strenuous climb at my age. Hope they put it back.

We're back at the car - didn't meet a soul. Too late to socialise our Molly now. Arriving at five as a rescue with her brother, Charlie, (bad) characters were well and truly formed. She's nine going on ten now and mellowing. A good three quarters of an hour and not a single bark from Molly.

There's a guy there just loading his wolfhound into a van. Molly doesn't see them - just as well.

The school run's over. I won't have to fight my way back down School Lane.

JT

The Dartford (Control of Advertisements) Area of Special Control Order 2015

On 7th Oct. 2015 Dartford Borough Council put forward to the Secretary of State an amendment removing land from the Area of Special Advertisement Control.

The proposed changes to the Order are to remove Eastern Quarry and St Clements Valley sites because they are no longer in the Green Belt. The purpose of the Area of Special Control is to control advertisements in the Green Belt, so the Map in the 2000 Order is incorrect and is to be replaced.

We hope that the special powers, to remove any illegal advertisements in the Green Belt, are promptly enforced

The BEAN COMMUNITY BUS.

There are NO visits organised for the coming winter months,
However the Shopping trips will continue as normal.

We still need volunteer Drivers, Male or Female.

Christmas Carol Service

Sunday 13th December 6.30pm

at
Bean School

We would like to invite you all to attend our joint Christmas Carol Service with
St. Nicolas Church

Choir on Sunday 13th December at 6.30pm. This will take place at Bean
School. This will be a lovely
event for families to attend and start the Christmas season.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very **Merry Christmas and a
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Mr Reilly, governors and all of the staff and pupils at Bean School



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The initial issue has been that we have been waiting for permission from Network Rail to replace ductwork, I am sure you will appreciate that safety is paramount and because of the potential implications this has taken quite some time to arrange. However, this is now planned to be completed by the end of July.

The other main area of delay is that we have blockages on the main fibre route which require road closures, and we have been working with the local council to agree a date. This has now been arranged from the 8th August and subject to us not finding any other issues when we undertake this work we are forecasting the cabinets which feed Bean to be live to accept orders for *fibre broadband* at the end of September".

At the end of September BT *openreach* were saying:

"Longfield and Southfleet Exchanges are Accepting Orders. Your serving cabinet is enabled for *fibre broadband*. Please note, in a minority of instances that doesn't guarantee your availability.

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St Nicholas at Bean



I have no idea where the days and months have gone this year. It is time for the Christmas edition of the Bean's Talk and in doing so takes us past the fiftieth year of its production.

This village has a lot to be proud of. The Woolly collection was by far the biggest so far and the Shoe boxes have increased this year also. Many thanks to all of you who have been so generous in supporting this charity. We make it our business to ask what the overheads are for the charities we support. Mustard Seed's administration costs are a mere £5,000.

We will be holding our annual Toy Service on the 6th December at 10 o'clock in the Village Hall. We would welcome gifts of toys together with a piece of wrapping paper. The toys will be taken to the Ellenor for distribution for the children in need in the area.

Once again this year our Carol Service will be shared with Bean Primary School. This will be at 6.30pm on 13th December and will take place in the **School Hall**. Last year we got close to the maximum numbers in the Village Hall so we are most grateful to the Headteacher for inviting us.

The Christmas service of Holy Communion will be held on Sunday 20th December in the Village Hall at 10 o'clock. All are welcome to join us for this very special service..

The Fellowship of Bean Church wish you all a very Happy and peaceful Christmas. If you have not worshipped with us on a Sunday Morning at 10 o'clock then give us a try in the New Year, you will find a very warm and friendly welcome.

Don White.



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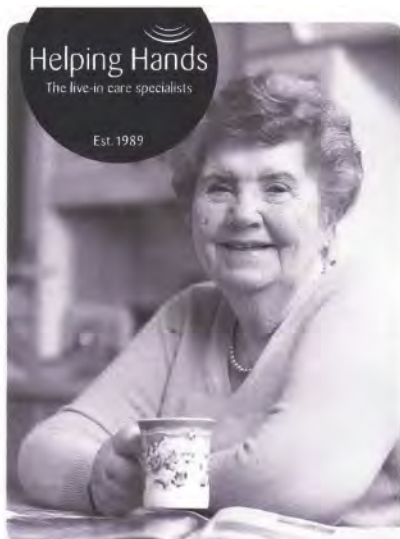
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BEACON WOOD COUNTRY PARK – DRAFT PROPOSALS

At a meeting of the Beacon Wood Country Park Steering Committee on 30th October 2015 a draft of a bid for Heritage Lottery Funds was discussed. Ideas put forward included: -

- **Improving access for pedestrians from the village**
- **Improved access for wheelchair and pushchair users.**
- **Improvements to footpaths and parking area**
- **Increasing Local Visitor Numbers**
- **Support and Training for Project Volunteers & Staff**
- **Installing a purpose built, self-contained secure unit for use as a Visitor Centre with Facilities for Schools**
- **Signposting a Heritage Trail**
- **Record the industrial history of Beacon Wood: -**
 - Supplying Timber for Shipbuilding
 - Making Gunpowder for the Military and Sport
 - Excavating Clay for Cement Making
- **Raising awareness of the natural Heritage: -**
 - Flora & Fauna
 - Birds, Bats, Moths etc.
 - Badgers, Newts, Slow Worms etc.
- **What Next?** A Questionnaire is to be circulated to ensure there is :-
support for the increased use of Beacon Woods. It will emphasize that the current recreational use, including dog walking and the newly installed Trim Trail will be unaffected.
There will be no additional pathways constructed and the existing ponds, flora and fauna will remain unaffected. It is inevitable that with the creation of the Ebbsfleet Garden City that newcomers will want to find out more about the local Heritage that is close-by and the purpose of the proposal is to enhance the visitor experience without
Impacting on the existing natural beauty of the woodland.



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ARCHER COTTAGES Part 4

4 Archers Cottages

Alice Amelia Wright, labourer's wife aged 32 of No 4 Archers Cottages was buried on the 10 September 1899 so her family had occupied this house from at least that time. In 1901 her widower Thomas Wright was living there with his five children. Thomas was born in Whittington Essex about 1858 and had married his wife Alice Amelia by whom he had five children. John their eldest child (b 1884) had been born at Milton; their next three children, Henry (1886), Harriet (1890) and Edward (b 1893) had been born at Benfleet, and the youngest William (1895) had been in Plumstead. Thomas was an agricultural labourer, and probably moved around the farms to get work. By 1911 he had moved away from Bean and was living at Slades Green with his three youngest children, Harriet, Edward and William.

In 1911 the cottage was occupied by Walter Ernest Farrance, born 1880 in Southfleet, and the brother of Charles Farrance who was then the landlord of The Black Horse, and son of Ellen Farrance who was living at 1 Archers Cottages. He had married Emily Tidey on 28 March 1903 in West Farleigh and by 1911 they had two sons, Ernest William (b1904) and Leslie (b1905). Walter was a farm labourer, as were most of his family, and would live at No 4 until his death in August 1916 at the age of 35. Emily lived on until 1961, dying at the age of 83 at St Mary's Hospital, Wallingford, Berkshire, but her family brought her back to Stone Cemetery to be buried with her husband. Son Ernest married Eleanor Wellingham at Holy Trinity Church, Dartford in 1930 and there were two daughters of the marriage. Eleanor died in 1960 in the Dartford area and I think that Ernest moved away from the area. JC

WINTER MOTORING.

Now that the clocks have gone back it is an ideal time to give your vehicle a check over.

The misty conditions tend to collect grit and dirt on the headlights quite quickly and therefore a quick wipe over will increase light power and visibility.

The plastic type windscreen wipers are more prone to smearing than rubber ones and should be cleaned frequently.

Checking that all light bulbs are still working, and not clouding over takes little time but helps to make you seen.

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Notice from Kent Police Neighbourhood Watch on 22nd October 2015

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The Environmental Protection Act makes it a criminal offence to dispose of rubbish other than at a licensed civic amenity site or other authorised site. The maximum penalty is a fine of £50,000 and/or five years imprisonment.

Residents that witness any fly-tipping within the Borough, should report it to Dartford Borough Council on 01322 343434 (during office hours) or 0345 634 1212 (out of hours), giving as much detail as possible. It can also be reported online.

Residents and businesses have a duty of care to check that anyone asked to dispose of waste on their behalf is registered. Householders can face hefty court fines if they fail to ensure their waste is handled by an authorised waste carrier

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EBBSFLEET DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (EDC) - Q&A

The EDC, set up to create Ebbsfleet Garden City, has monthly Board Meetings. The Public can submit written questions for answer at the meetings. August and September 2015 Q&A with Bean RA included: -

How much of the "up to" £200m Infrastructure budget has so far been spent and what on?

The £200m is not a budget. It is an envelope of funding which has been made available by the Government to support the provision of infrastructure. No part of that funding has been spent so far as it is unlikely to be allocated until 2016.

Who holds the £200m Infrastructure budget and over how many years is it to be spent?

The £200m is held by central Government and is available to support the EDC over a 5 year period as part of the Spending Review (2016/17 — 2020/21).

The AECOM June 2015 Baseline Report, envisages highway improvements will be funded through the Strategic Transport Infrastructure Programme (STIP). Does that mean that none of the "up to £200M" will be spent on Strategic and County road schemes?

None of the "£200m" is to be spent on national and strategic highways; it is the basis of the Corporation's submission for funding through the Department of Communities and Local Government to Her Majesty's Treasury. Transport and health bids for additional funding for Ebbsfleet are expected to be made by other Departments of State.

How much Strategic Transport Infrastructure Programme (STIP) money do KCC hold and what is maximum expected?

We have requested this figure from the County Council. The answer by KCC at the October EDC Board was: -

Funding received by KCC, less expenditure, plus interest	= £14,170,000
Funding received by Dartford Borough Council	= £ 831,500
Funding in 106 Agreements, but not Received	= £33,809,300
Local Growth Fund: St Clement's Way & Rathmore Road	=£ 9,400,000
Total Expected Funding for Kent Thames side STIP	<u>=£58,210,800</u>

Across

1. Written announcement (6)
4. Film regulator (6)
9. Fan (7)
10. Subject (5)
11. Type of hat (5)
12. Closest to (7)
13. Sound transmitters (11)
18. Ruler (7)
19. Edition (5)
22. Tale (5)
23. Easily seen (7)
24. Lower down (6)
25. Helpful (6)

Down

1. Close to (6)
2. Stopwatch (5)
3. Custodian of museum (7)
5. Surplus (5)
6. Most important (7)
7. Repeat aloud (6)
8. Carried along (11)
14. Make better (7)
15. Beginnings (7)
16. Stopped (6)
17. Relating to teeth (6)
19. Type of poem (5)
21. Horizontal board (5)

A Quick Crossword - Solution on page 27

CLEANER DARTFORD = CLEANER BEAN?

At our October meeting there were several complaints that Litter is an increasing problem. We wrote to Jeremy Kite in support of the forthcoming "Cleaner Dartford" campaign, but asking whether Bean may benefit.

Attention was particularly drawn to the apparent omission of cleaning in Sandy Lane north of the A2 Subway that particularly affects residents of Woodbine Cottage and Merrychest Bungalow. The area is within Bean Parish, but included within the Ebbsfleet Garden City boundary.

The swift response from the DBC Waste and Parks Manager was "We had a look at this area yesterday, it is on cleansing schedule — it is due to be visited next week, but it does appear to have been forgotten about."

NEW 2015 OFFICIAL HIGHWAY CODE

Below are a selection of the 307 Rules: -

"188 Mini-roundabouts. ... All vehicles **MUST** pass round the central markings ... Avoid making U-turns..."

"228 Icy and snowy weather ...

229 Before you set off

- you **MUST** be able to see, so clear all snow and ice from all your windows
- you **MUST** ensure that lights are clean and number plates are clearly visible and legible"

"Parking

239 Use off-street parking areas ... wherever possible

242 You **MUST NOT** leave your vehicle or trailer in a dangerous position or where it causes any unnecessary obstruction of the road.

243 DO NOT stop or park

- near a school entrance
- opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space
- in front of the entrance to a property
- on a bend

except when forced to do so by stationery traffic

248 You **MUST NOT** park on a road at night facing against the direction of the traffic flow"

MUST/MUST NOT indicates a Legal Requirement. Failure to comply with other Rules will not, in itself, cause a person to be prosecuted, but may be used in evidence in any court proceedings to establish liability.

A note from the editor,

Please note that the Copy date shown for the Bean's Talk is **the Last day for acceptance**. Anything received after the copy date will only be accepted if there is space and time for it to be included.

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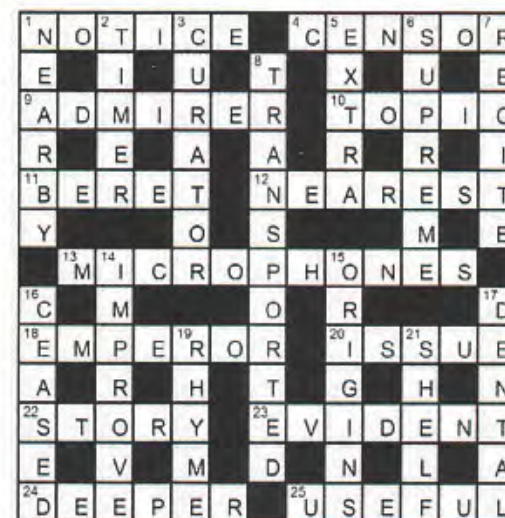
September 2015 Reported Crimes in Bean

	Category	Outcome status
B255	Vehicle crime	Under investigation
B255	Other crime	Under investigation
Bean Lane	Anti-social behaviour	
Bean Lane	Criminal damage and arson	Investigation complete; no suspect identified
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Bramble Avenue	Anti-social behaviour	
Bramble Avenue	Vehicle crime	Investigation complete; no suspect identified
Foxwood Road	Burglary	Under investigation
Page Close	Vehicle crime	Under investigation
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Page Close	Violence and sexual offences	Suspect charged
Pedestrian Subway	Burglary	Investigation complete; no suspect identified
Pedestrian Subway	Violence and sexual offences	Investigation complete no suspect identified investigation complete
Stonewood	Vehicle crime	no suspect identified Investigation complete; no suspect identified
The Thrift	Other theft	
Turner Road	Anti-social behaviour	
Turner Road	Criminal damage and arson	Investigation complete no suspect identified

BEAN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION MEETINGS are held
on the **FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH**
(Excluding Bank Holidays).

The meetings start at 8.15 pm.
in the Bean Community Centre.
All residents of Bean are welcome to attend.

Solution to Crossword on page 23



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POLICE 999

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Neighbourhood Police Officer - Tony Quitter

07870 252

387 PCSO Ruth Webb

mobile 07772 226

177 Community Warden. Paul Hassell

Mobile 07813

713285

Community Warden

(Control Centre)

01732 885712

Crime Stoppers

800 555 111

BYCC Hall Bookings

Bean Parish Council 01474

832 999

Tuesday 4.00 - 7.00pm. Dance fever

Jo Regan 07927 196307

Wednesday 1.30 - 4.00pm. Young at Heart

Contact the committee

Wednesday 6.00 - 7.30pm. Cubs

Neil Warburton 707382

Wednesday 7.45 - 9.30pm. Scouts

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Janette Williams 7908274153

Friday 4.30 - 5.30pm. Mc Dowall Dance (Ballet) Sarah Mc Dowall 07940 205295

Sunday 10 - 11.00am. St. Nicholas Church,

Don White 705430

Mon - Fri 9.15 - 12.00 noon. Jumping Beans Pre-School Allison Barrass 07771864937

Mobile Library

Black Horse 4.05 - 4.25pm.

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stopping points and times shown.

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Dr. Langley Beacon Drive, Bean

708672

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The Rector is The Rev David Houston

833252

Sunday Service is held in the Community Centre at 10am

Bean Residents Association

Bean Residents Association meets on the First Monday of the month at 8.15pm. in the Bean Community Centre. All Bean residents are welcome to attend.

Bean Parish Council.

E-mail Beanparishcouncil@btintemet.com

Bean Parish Council meet on the second Monday of the month at 7pm. in the

Bean Community Centre. All Bean residents are welcome to attend.

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