

LITTLE BERKHAMSTED VILLAGE SURVEY 2019

This survey was primarily designed to find answers to 3 KEY QUESTIONS:

- I. What events do residents ENJOY and want to see happening?
- 2. Are residents prepared to set up and run any clubs/societies?
- 3. Are residents prepared to help organise and run village events?

TO DATE 57 SURVEYS HAVE BEEN RETURNED

The most popular village events attended in the past 3 years are:

- VILLAGE FETE
- BONFIRE NIGHT
- CHURCH EVENTS
- COFFEE MORNINGS
- PANTOMIME / CHRISTMAS BALL
- ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

There is significant support for holding the following events in the future:

- VILLAGE FETE
- LITTER PICK
- QUIZ NIGHT
- BONFIRE NIGHT

RESIDENTS HAVE OFFERED TO SET UP AND RUN THE FOLLOWING CLUBS/SOCIETIES

- A Scrabble Club
- Dog Agility Class
- Free Table Tennis Coaching for children and adults
- Informal Art Class at weekends
- Walking Football Club
- Vintage Car Club
- · Women's Self-Defence / Martial Arts Class if feasible

FURTHER SUGGESTIONS FOR EVENTS AND CLUBS

- Young cricket team
- 5-a-side football
- · Social /fund raising events
- · Children's activities at weekends eg singing, teddy bears picnic,
- Open Gardens
- Concerts at the Church
- Walking club
- Conservation group
- Collaboration with the church
- Pop up Dinner evenings
- Large Summer fund raising event

- · Farmers market / local produce
- Baby/Toddler playgroup
- · Licensed summer BBQ on the Green
- · Afternoon tea for pensioners
- Gardening club
- Little B in bloom
- Antiques/flowers/plants/Christmas market
- Cinema on the Green
- · Fundraising for flower beds around village
- · LB Christmas wreath competition

RESIDENTS ARE HAPPY TO HELP!

 31 people said they were able to advise on, help organise or run events/activities on an occasional basis

What type of help could you offer?

- Professional advice 7
- · Organisation/running events 13
- IT 3
- Manual/Practical work 13
- · Admin jobs e.g. Raffles 5
- Working with children 5
- Working with the elderly 5
- Gardening/Litter Pick 15
- Catering 12

The following were also offered:

- · Maintaining footpaths
- Making cakes
- Making regular charitable donations
- Support with marketing e.g. Facebook
- · Professional advice on architecture/planning
- · Running a craft stall at events.

POSSIBLE NEXT STEPS BASED ON RESPONDENT'S SUGGESTIONS (IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER)

- · Organise a village litter pick, possibly followed by a social event
- Liaise more closely with the church on church and village events
- Develop the website into a useful local resource
- Enlist help on marketing Facebook etc
- Consider setting up a confidential data base of residents' particular skills, expertise and professions
- · Contact residents who have offered to set up and run a club or class
- Facilitate one major event in the late summer/early autumn to maintain momentum