



# Jaywick Community News

For a better quality of life in Jaywick

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## Get Involved!

There are a range of local community groups that want to improve Jaywick and you can play your part by getting involved and making your views known.

If you would like details of how you can help make Jaywick a better place to live or feedback on the new JSLG newsletter, you can:

- contact the neighbourhood team (contact as below) or
- contact the Jaywick Community Forum at [Forum-jaywick@sky.com](mailto:Forum-jaywick@sky.com) or on 428 532

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### Welcome to the first edition of Jaywick Community News.

**With so much happening in Jaywick this newsletter is aimed at keeping you informed and up to date about improvements to the area. It is hoped that the newsletter will become a regular quarterly publication, distributed free to everyone in Jaywick and the surrounding area.**

**If you have any ideas for future editions then please get in touch with the local neighbourhood office in Lotus Way.**

(see back page for details)



### People in Focus. An introduction to your local neighbourhood operations manager.

Since 2007 my team has been split between Jaywick and Pier Ward in Clacton. This April marks the start of a new drive focused on reducing crime and improving Jaywick. Many residents will recognise the distinctive blue Interaction Partnership van, and although the Partnership finishes its work soon we will be continuing our regular patrols of the area, working closely with the Police to make Jaywick a safer place.

With support from the Jaywick Strategic Leadership Group we now have a local presence in Jaywick at the neighbourhood office on

Lotus Way. The team and I enjoy working with local residents and we want to do more to tackle some of the major issues that cause you concern.

As part of a long-term investment in Jaywick, there have been a number of initiatives recently. You will have noticed the improved beach along Brooklands, the Brooklands Gardens landscaping and the car park at Tamarisk Way. My team are also helping to identify derelict properties and working on ideas for safer footpaths.

There is a lot happening at the moment so please get in touch if you want to get involved in improving the quality of life in Jaywick.

Margaret O'Dell

Neighbourhood Operations Manager

## What's happening?

- Open spaces such as car parks and grassed areas are being improved and cleared of rubbish
- Based on consultation with you and local children attending Frobisher's School, a new park has been created at Brooklands Gardens
- A neighbourhood office has opened in the Enterprise Centre on Lotus Way
- A case for government funding is being made to improve Jaywick.



## A new garden takes shape in Brooklands



This winter sees the completion of a new garden in the centre of Brooklands. Children from Frobisher school joined forces with local residents to help design the new garden on the site of the old Jaywick clubhouse.

The ideas for the park started to take shape at the Jaywick Summer Fayre and planting of the area will be completed in March to take advantage of the warmer days. Once finished it is hoped that the garden will become somewhere that everyone in the local community can enjoy and explore using the new footpaths.

In the future we hope to improve more areas of Jaywick for local people and visitors to enjoy. If you would like to get involved contact the Jaywick neighbourhood office.



## What's planned?

- Contrary to reports in the press there are no plans to force people to leave Jaywick, but we are looking at ways of dealing with unsightly derelict properties and land
- We will continue to work with local people to develop ideas for the future of the area
- Better use will be made of the open spaces such as Tudor Fields
- Working with Essex Police we will make the area safer; especially around the alleyways in Brooklands
- The local neighbourhood team of community wardens will be working closely with other organisations to help local people obtain better health care, benefits, training, and employment.



## What does the future hold?

You may not be aware that Jaywick is in a high flood risk area. New government rules mean no more new homes can be built and existing properties cannot be extended.

In the future it is likely that fewer people will want to buy a home or invest in the area and more homes will be rented out. It is also possible that more properties will become neglected or derelict, making the area less attractive.

This is not an acceptable situation. There are already over 70 derelict properties and empty plots, and large areas of neglected land. We know this leads to regular fires, anti-social behaviour and crime and we want to address it.

There are three key things we need to do:

### Create a better neighbourhood

- by tackling anti-social behaviour and vandalism
- by reducing crime and fly-tipping
- by improving the open spaces, alleys and footpaths

### Provide decent homes and places

- by removing derelict buildings
- by bringing neglected land into use
- by tackling disrepair

### Boost the local economy

- by encouraging more visitors to the area
- by creating training and job opportunities for local people.