



Jaywick Community News

For a better quality of life in Jaywick

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This is the second edition of Jaywick Community News.

With so much going on in the area we hope you find something of interest. If you have any ideas for future editions please let us know by contacting the neighbourhood office in Lotus Way.

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The start of the journey

**People in Focus.
An introduction to your community development worker.**

My background is working for a housing association in Suffolk where I managed a group of rented homes for a number of years.

A key part of the job was dealing with customers and I enjoyed building a good working relationship with residents. It was the people aspect of the community development role that appealed to me the most and I am enjoying working with residents in Jaywick.

I am aware of the strong sense of community and of the existing community groups and clubs and the good work that they are doing. I am eager to work alongside local people,

offering support and advice where necessary to help residents influence and participate in the community. As I see it, community development is about empowering residents, and my role is to support individual residents, groups and clubs. So if you are considering:

- forming a group or club
- developing ideas to improve Jaywick, or
- you would like to join an existing group or club

then please contact me at the neighbourhood office in Lotus Way. I look forward to hearing from you.

Teresa

Teresa Watson, Community Development Officer



A safer Jaywick

The Jaywick Strategic Leadership Group is working with the police to reduce crime and improve the quality of life in Jaywick. Better CCTV is one way we can reduce crime.

Following discussions with residents, work will start later this year to install new CCTV cameras in Brooklands. Recent initiatives have had a significant effect on the number of crimes in Jaywick: with 50 per cent fewer burglaries, and a 20 per cent cut in criminal damage. New CCTV cameras will help cut crime further.

You can find out more about this initiative through the local neighbourhood office in Lotus Way, or why not join the local neighbourhood watch if you are not a member already?

For information on the Neighbourhood Watch in your area contact your local representative Ian Burrit on **223 457**

Housing problem? Sam can help!



My name is Sam Jess and I've been an Environmental Health Officer (EHO) since 1988 mainly in London. I deal with housing matters including disrepair, grants, housing renovation, and advice to owners, tenants and landlords. I have recently joined Tendring District Council and they have asked me in to concentrate on improving Jaywick by:

- advising tenants when landlords won't carry out repairs
- providing advice on grants to owners, tenants, landlords and disabled people
- working with other council departments and agencies to tackle housing problems locally
- ensuring that properties meet the right standards

One of the main problems for residents is knowing where to go for help. If your query is about a property's condition, you should call the Residential Health Team on **686 786**.

If your query relates to noise nuisance, pests or rubbish you should call the Pollution Team on **686 764**. All calls are responded to within five working days and you will be informed of the action being taken. If you need help out of office hours you can call **222 022** in an emergency. The neighbourhood team can also help with general queries and issues to do with community safety and anti-social behaviour.

Jaywick Martello Tower (JMT)



Arguably Jaywick's best known landmark, the JMT was built in 1809 as a coastal fortification to repel an invasion by Napoleon. In 2005 it was renovated and is now a thriving arts, heritage, and community venue.

The 2010 summer programme promises to be as successful as previous years. To help celebrate the tower's 200th Birthday, the Friends' Group are holding a Short Story and Poetry Competition based on Martello Towers and their place in British history. The closing date is 23 September, and you can obtain an entry form from JMT or local libraries.

The JMT Coastal Open exhibition takes place between 4-15 August at JMT and

St. Christopher's Church Hall. Associated family workshops and artists' demonstrations will take place at Golf Green Hall and Brooklands Resource Centre. The exhibition showcases local artists and craft makers.

If you would like to submit work for the exhibition or lead a demonstration or workshop, the entry forms and guidelines are available at JMT. Submissions must be received by 1 July. Other summer events include a commemorative textile project, and the Historical Maritime Society will be recreating Nelsons Navy on Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 August.

For more information about events at the Tower, please go to jaywickmartellotower.org/programme or visit the Tower.

Opening times:

April to September: Wednesday to Sunday and bank holiday Mondays, 10am - 5pm

October to March: Saturday and Sundays, 10.30am – 3.30pm

Free admission and parking





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 or on **428 532**

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Environment Agency
Essex County Council
Essex Police

Haven Gateway Partnership
Homes and Communities Agency
NE Essex Primary Care Trust
Tendring District Council