

# HOCKLEY

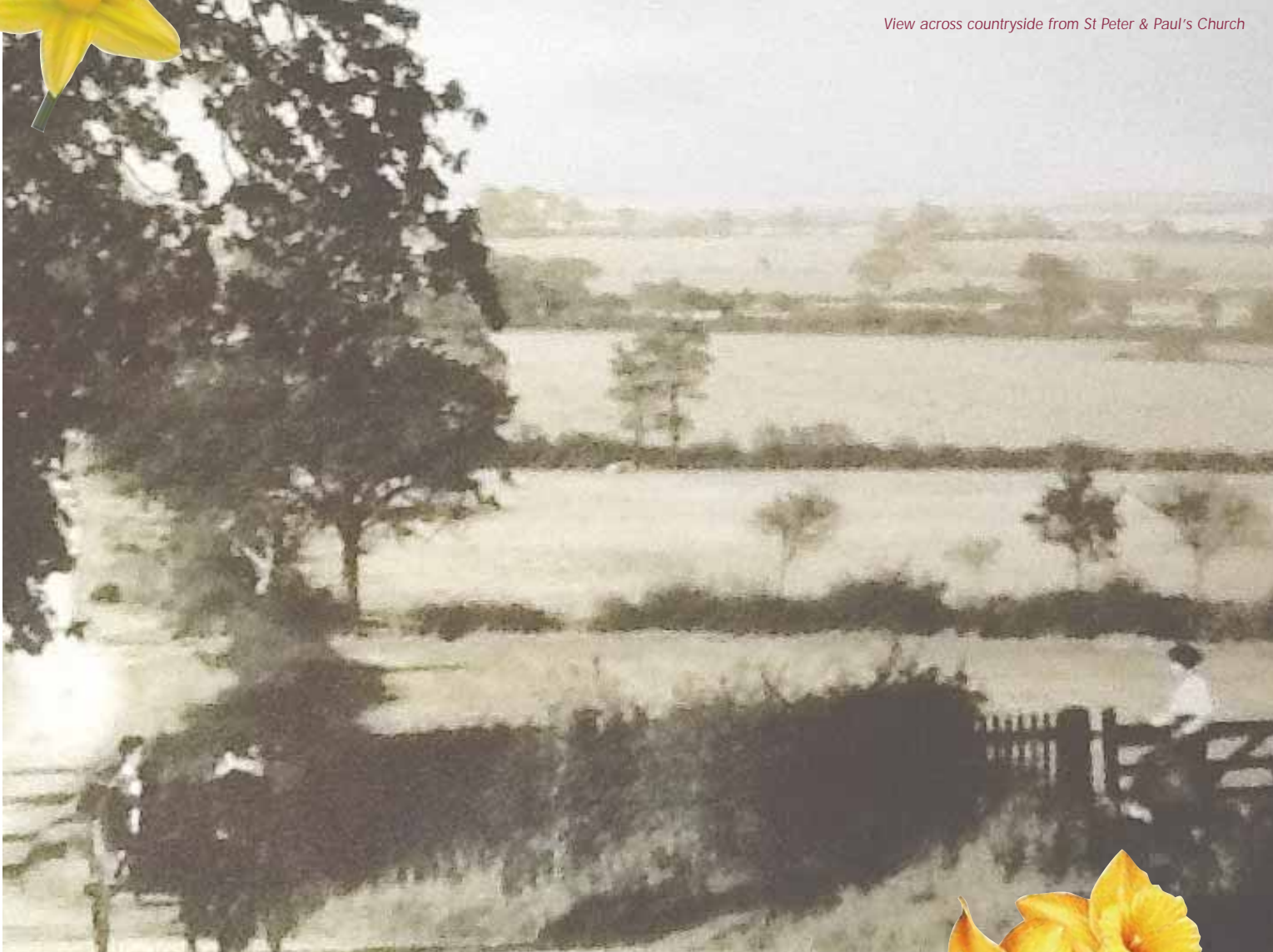
# News

Early Spring

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View across countryside from St Peter & Paul's Church



## HOCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL UPCOMING EVENTS 2016

<b>Village Market</b>	2nd Saturday of each month, 9.30am to 12 noon February to December
<b>Primary School's Art Exhibition</b>	Saturday 5th March, 10am to 1pm at the Old Fire Station, Southend Road, Hockley
<b>Hockley Art Trail 2016</b>	Saturday 2nd July to Saturday 12th July At the request of residents and exhibitors the Art Trail will be extended to include two weekends this year
<b>Open Garden Day</b>	Sunday 17th July 10am to 4pm Gardens in Hockley will open in support of charities
<b>Remembrance Service</b>	Sunday 13th November 2pm Service at War Memorial, Southend Road, Hockley followed by a parade to join the Royal British Legion and residents at Haawkwell
<b>Christmas Lights Switch-on</b>	Saturday 26th November

FULL DETAILS OF ALL EVENTS WILL BE PUBLISHED ON THE PARISH WEBSITE

# Calendar

## march

Monday 21st  
Full Council  
Commences at  
7.30pm

## april

Monday 18th  
Full Council  
Commences at  
7.30pm

## may

Monday 16th  
Annual Assembly  
Annual Meeting  
Commences at  
7.30pm

The Parish Council Newsletter is published four times a year and delivered to households in the Hockley area.

We are always interested in hearing of any news or activities taking place in the village which may be of interest to our readers.

You can contact us through the Parish Office on 01702 207707 or email at: [enquiries@hockley-essex.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@hockley-essex.gov.uk)



### Hockley News Working Group

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Clr Sue Martin      Clr Shirley James



## Chairman's News

Welcome to our 2016 Winter Newsletter. The council is now two thirds of the way through the civic year and the parish budget has been completed. Despite the expected reduction in the Local Government Support Grant, the parish council Precept Claim for 2016/17 will remain unchanged at £229,000. We have apportioned the funds within our budget across the parish to keep Hockley in good shape and to bring some new projects to the table. Grants have recently been awarded to Hockley & Hawkwell Old People's Welfare for their replacement minibus fund and to the Massive Project towards the rental of their premises. With your support Councillors have also put together a programme of annual community events and full details will be published on the Website and in our quarterly Newsletter over the coming months. The Parish Council would like to enter Hockley in the Best Kept Village Competition and, as the saying goes "many hands make light work" so we are sending out a call for volunteers from our residents, schools, churches, businesses and local groups. Please let us know if you are interested in helping to spruce up the village and its open spaces. You will have noticed some changes taking place to the shops in Spa Road and it is encouraging to see premises in Hockley occupied rather than left empty. However, the Parish Council are only consulted on changes when a planning application is submitted. If there is no change of use involved the Local Planning Authority at Rochford District Council has responsibility for new businesses. Local elections for both the Parish Council and Rochford District Council will be upon us in May and we would remind electorate that there are new wards in place following the Boundary Commission Review. It is anticipated that Hockley Parish will now have two wards 'Hockley East' and 'Hockley West' and you may find your polling station has changed which will be shown on your polling card. Councillors would like to thank you for your continued support and look forward to working on your behalf in the future.

Councillor Roy Martin  
Chairman Hockley Parish Council

Malcom Sewell from the Massive Youth Project in Hockley was delighted to be presented with a Grant of £7500 from Hockley Parish Council. The monies will be used to part fund the rental of their premises this year.



Malcolm Sewell and Parish Council Chairman  
Cllr Roy Martin

A copy of the latest Newsletter and all other council information can be found on our new website [www.hockley-essex.gov.uk](http://www.hockley-essex.gov.uk)

If you have any comments or enquiries, please contact Mike Letch, Clerk to the Parish Council

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THE OLD FIRE STATION 58 SOUTHEND ROAD · HOCKLEY · ESSEX SS5 4QH

# ART EXHIBITION BY HOCKLEY AND HAWKWELL PRIMARY SCHOOLS

DATE: 5th MARCH 2016 · TIME: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

VENUE: THE OLD FIRE STATION, SOUTHEND ROAD, HOCKLEY

Following the success of the 2015 Schools Art Exhibition, where residents, local artists and art teachers were amazed at the quality and variety of artwork, Hockley Parish Council has organised another Exhibition for 2016 with exhibits provided by Hockley Primary School, Plumberow Primary Academy and Westerings Primary Academy. The Exhibition will include a selection of artwork by all age groups from Reception to Year 6 (approximately 40 classes).



The Exhibition is open to the public and admission is free. The schools are hoping for a high attendance of children, parents, grandparents and local artists to support the event. The children and their teachers would love you to come along and see their work.

Further details can be obtained from Hockley Parish Councillors:

Cllr Veronica Randall: 01702 202142 · Cllr Tim Gleadall: 01702 201688 · Cllr Sue Martin: 01702 202750



## St Peter and Paul Hockley Parish Church

*An invitation to celebrate Easter the traditional way at the ancient and beautiful Parish Church*

Palm Sunday 20th March

Good Friday 25th March

Holy Saturday 26th March

Easter Sunday 27th March

*Blessing of the Palms and Mass, at 10.00am*

*Stations of the Cross, at 10.30am*

*Veneration of the Cross, at Midday*

*Vigil and First Mass of Easter, at 8.30pm*

*Festival Mass, at 10.00am*

*A warm welcome is extended to all*



### BRAMERTON ROAD COMMUNITY CHURCH

#### Easter Events

**Saturday 21st March**

Easter 'Who let the Dads out?' – 10.30am

**Sunday 22nd March**

The Cross – A powerful message from Billy Graham – 6pm

**Thursday 24th March**

Maundy Thursday Communion – 7pm

**Friday 25th March**

Good Friday reflective service – 10am

**Sunday 27th March**

Easter Celebration – 10.30am  
followed by Children's Egg Hunt

**Wednesday 29th April**

Messy Church 4pm



## Hockley & Hawkwell Methodist Church

Main Road, Hockley

### EASTER SERVICES

*Rev Phil Warrey*

20th March 10.30am – Palm Sunday Eggstravaganza

Good Friday 25th March 3pm – A quiet time with readings and hymns

Sunday 5th April 8.30am – Communion led by Rev Phil Warrey  
followed by breakfast

Celebration Service 10.30am – led by Colin Turner



Children's Competition  
Winners



Plumberow Primary Academy Choir



Winners switched on  
the lights



## HOCKLEY CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON 21ST NOVEMBER 2015

A big thank you to all those who ventured out to support us on a very cold November afternoon to celebrate the switch on of the Christmas Lights. Rochford Rotary arrived with Santa and his sleigh and handed out over 200 gifts to the children who visited his grotto. Thirty two hardy stallholders battled the weather and the teams on the lights and fireworks again gave Hockley a fitting finale to the afternoon. We had a record 225 Christmas Tree Baubles for the Children's Colouring Competition and entries were displayed at the Library over the festive season. Hockley Chamber of Trade very kindly donated £1 for each entry to local charities. The Parish Council Chairman Councillor Roy Martin presented the winners with their prizes before the children switched on the lights. Youngsters from all three of our primary schools took part in the entertainment on stage this year together with local performers who volunteered their time from Hildale Academy, Hands4Voices Signing Choir and Mr Dickie Bows Jivers with their Charleston Group. The support of our volunteers, emergency services, local business sponsors and all the community is very much appreciated by the organisers. We hope you enjoyed the event and we look forward to seeing you all again next time.



Westerings Primary Academy Choir



Hockley Primary School Choir & Band



Hildale Academy of Performing Arts

## OPEN SPACES ROUND-UP

**PLUMBEROW PLAY SPACE** – The installation of a new piece of play equipment – a climbing frame which has proved very popular with the younger members of the community. Plans for the future include a new soft play surface. The open space has seen the installation of new litter and dog bins and the replacement of benches.

**LABURNHAM GROVE** – Not to be forgotten, the play space at Laburnum Grove will hopefully be seeing the installation of new play equipment during 2016.

**MARYLANDS NATURE RESERVE** – New paving to the pathways in the Marylands Nature Reserve has made it more accessible for the disabled and the final section from the Plumberow gate should be completed this year. Plans are also in hand for the replacement of the species information boards.

**BROAD PARADE** – It has to be admitted that Broad Parade has not been looking its best recently, so discussions are taking place with landscape gardeners to investigate remodelling it in the near future.

**REST OF VILLAGE** – Additional plant troughs on the railings to the west of Spa Road have gone a long way to making the centre of the village a more attractive place in which to shop and it is intended to introduce planters around the trees and on the Parish Pavement (outside the sorting office) ready for the summer.

Whilst it is exciting to look forward to new developments, the everyday work of looking after Hockley and its environs continues. Litter has to be picked, grass cut, flower beds planted and weeded. Play equipment and benches throughout the village repaired and fences painted. There are a myriad other things which help to make Hockley a pleasant place in which to live.

## HOCKLEY ART TRAIL 2016

Following the success of the Art Trail in 2015 and requests from venues, Hockley Parish Council are organising an extended Art Trail 2<sup>nd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> July 2016.

There will be up to 30 venues around the village where local artists and art groups will showcase a display of art, photography, ceramics, glasswork and sculptures.



An Event Programme and Trail Map giving details of venues and artists will be available from participating exhibitors, local shops, Hockley Library and the Parish Hall by the end of May. Entry to the event is free for the viewing public. Look out for the numbered logos which will be displayed at all participating venues.

**If you or anyone you know would like to exhibit work please contact by 3<sup>rd</sup> May:**

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### Hockley Library Opening Times

Monday CLOSED – Tuesday 9am-5.30pm – Wednesday CLOSED  
 Thursday 9am-5.30pm – Friday 9am-5.30pm  
 Saturday 9am-5.30pm – Sunday CLOSED

For details and information of services, up and coming events or other enquiries: Telephone: 0845 603 7628  
[www.essex.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.essex.gov.uk/libraries) – email: [answers.direct@essex.gov.uk](mailto:answers.direct@essex.gov.uk)

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