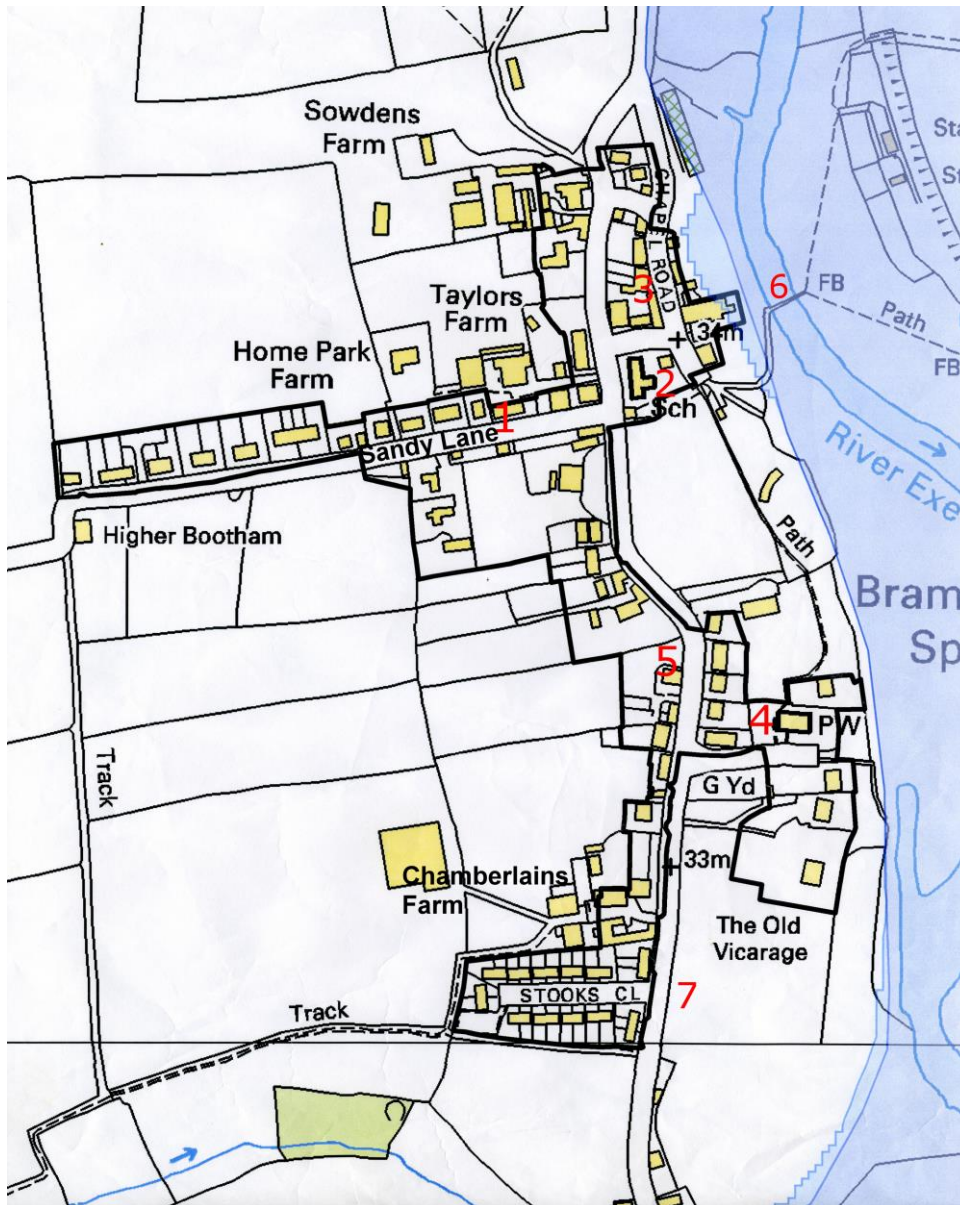


WELCOME TO



BRAMPFORD SPEKE

MAP OF VILLAGE SHOWING MAIN AMENITIES



<u>Key</u>	
<u>1</u>	Village Hall
<u>2</u>	School
<u>3</u>	Baptist Chapel
<u>4</u>	St Peter's Church
<u>5</u>	Public House
<u>6</u>	Footbridge over River Exe
<u>Z</u>	Bus Stop

AMENITIES

Notice Boards

There are two: the main one is by the telephone box opposite the school, and there is another one in the bus shelter opposite Stooks Close.

Defibrillator

A defibrillator can be found on the wall to the right of the main entrance door of the Brampford Speke Village School.

Village Hall

The Village Hall in Sandy Lane is well used for a variety of activities

To make a booking contact Molly Luxton on 841270.

Bramford Speke Village Hall Trust Chairman is Dave Bamford, North View,
Bramford Speke, Exeter, Devon, EX5 5HQ.

Bramford Speke Primary School

Bramford Speke Primary is a part of the Exe Valley Federation and works closely with other schools in order to secure the best outcomes for pupils. Further information can be found on their website and in the school brochure available from the school

Hannah Fee: 01392 841414

Email: brampfordadmin@exevalleyfederation.org.uk

The Bramford Area Pre-school is sited within Bramford Speke C of E Primary School and welcomes children from 3 years to school age; 2½yr-olds are welcome accompanied by an adult. The Pre-school is open 9.00-3.30 Monday to Thursday, and 9.00-1pm Friday.

Worship

St Peter's Church (C of E) Rector Tim Collins 860767

The Bramford Speke Baptist Chapel in Chapel Road: Revd Simon Taylor 279485.

See the Speke Up for the Parish Directory, Times of Services and Parish Church Rotas.

The Agricultural Inn

Jo and Karl are the current custodians of The Agricultural Inn and welcome all to enjoy locally sourced food, fantastic local ales and a great selection of wines. The 'Agi' is a family and dog friendly traditional pub with roaring log fires, cosy beamed rooms and during the summer it opens its Secret Garden area. Open all day Tuesday to Sunday and Bank Holiday Mondays, serving lunch, dinner and Sunday roasts. Booking is advised for weekends via their website www.agriculturalinn.co.uk

Footpaths

Bramford Speke parish has many public footpaths (total 3.5 miles) and one bridleway (.75 miles) Our footpaths offer delightful walking in unspoiled countryside, providing links with neighbouring parishes such as Upton Pyne,

Thorverton and Stoke Canon. There are also pubs at Thorverton and Stoke Cannon and a Social Club at Upton Pyne. Part of the popular Exe Valley Way runs through the parish. The meadows adjacent to the river are subject to a Geological SSSI due to the meandering and constantly altering river course.

Please take care to keep dogs on a lead where appropriate (especially where they may interfere with livestock), and to shut gates behind you. Devon County Council, as the Highway Authority, is ultimately responsible for the paths' maintenance, but any comments on them should be made in the first instance to the Footpath Warden on footpathsBSPC@gmail.com

The Exe Valley Way

The Exe Valley Way is a river walk between the source of the River Exe at Simonsbath and it's mouth at Exmouth. A series of maps that break the Exe Valley Way into stages can be found on the Devon County Council website: www.exploredevon.info.exevalleyway

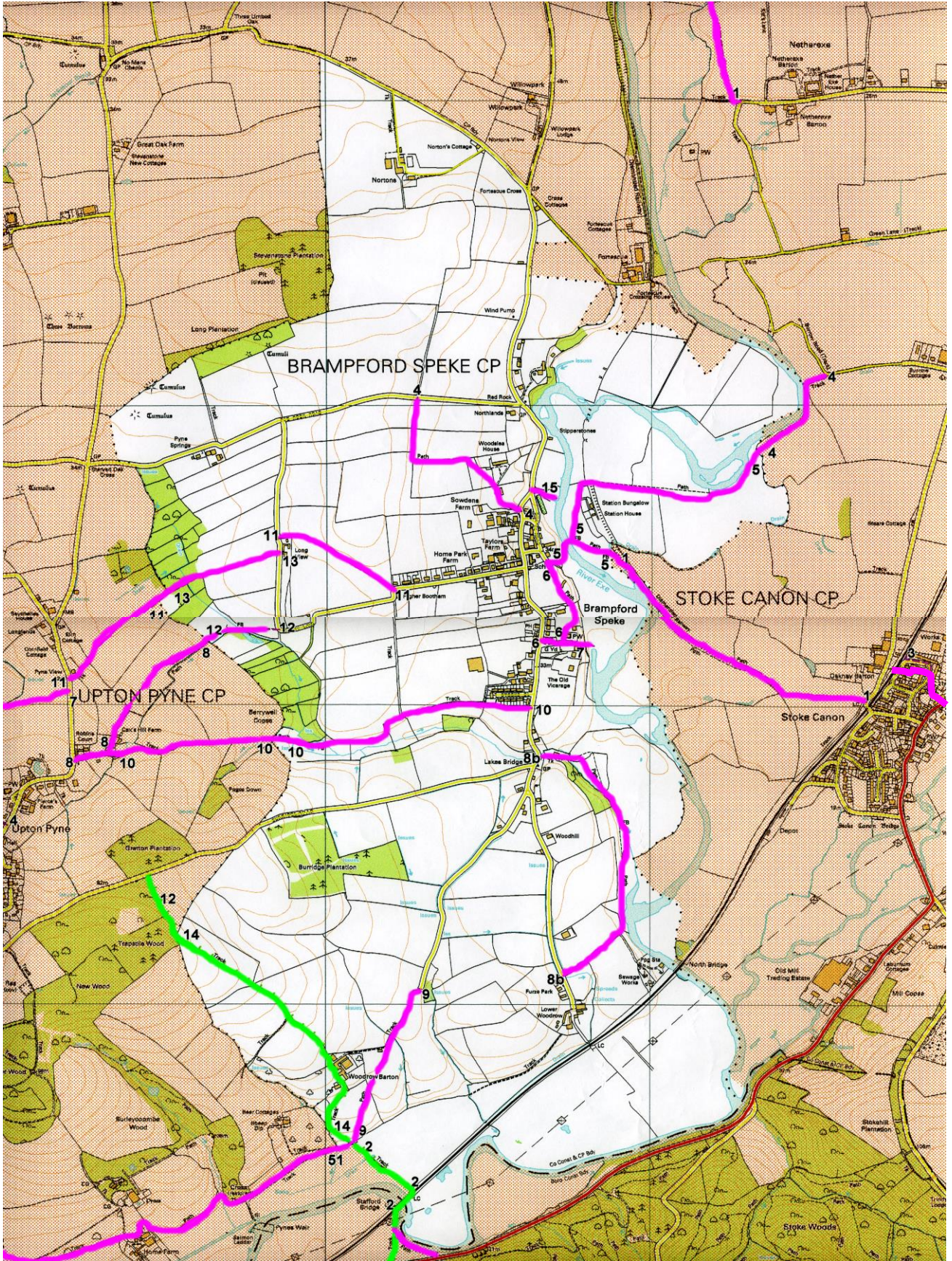
Stage 2: Exeter to Brampford Speke – 9km/5.5 miles

Stage 3: Brampford Speke to Thorverton – 7km/4.5 miles

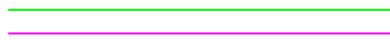
Brampford Speke SSSI

The Brampford Speke SSSI is an area of 82.97 hectares beside the River Exe that has been designated as a Geological Site of Special Scientific Interest. Details can be found on Wikipedia: [List of Sites of Special Scientific Interest in Devon and Mapp](#) – Brampford Speke SSSI

FOOTPATH MAP (White area is Bramford Speke Parish; Footpath Key see p5)



Public Bridleway
Public Footpath



KEY TO FOOTPATH MAP:

Footpaths are numbered on the map according to **Devon County Council Public Rights Of Way Environment Directorate**. A short description of the course of each numbered path is as follows: it is suggested that this is used in conjunction with an Ordnance Survey map – eg Explorer Series No. 114, which will give the wider context of how our parish footpaths link with neighbouring ones.

Footpath No: Where it goes:

1. Continuation of footpath **5.** along dismantled railway to Stoke Canon.
2. Southerly continuation of public bridleway (**14.**) from south of Woodrow Barton, eventually meeting the A396 (Exeter – Tiverton road).
3. Branching southeast from the bridleway (**2**) below Stafford Bridge, meeting the A396 (Exeter – Tiverton Rd).
4. Main road near Sowdens Farm northwest to Red Rock Rd. Also (separately) a continuation of footpath **5.**; see below.
5. Opposite back of school from end of Chapel Rd down to and across river. **Left fork** goes north, then east around station buildings to edge of parish where it becomes one of the footpaths labelled **4.**, which then continues to meet Burrow Rd (track). **Right fork** crosses field to meet dismantled railway track, becoming footpath **1.** on to Stoke Canon.

TIP: A good circular walk involves using the left fork as above of footpath 5 continuing on the Burrow Rd (track) which turns right to run parallel to the A396, then following this track south until you come to the level crossing in Stoke Cannon (on your left). You turn right at that point and follow footpath 1 along the dismantled railway line; this becomes footpath 5's other fork and brings you back to the footbridge in Brampford Speke.

6. End of Chapel Rd at the back of School, running behind "The Green" – (the field opposite Brampford House) – to the church. There is another little section of footpath **6.**, running from the main road along Church Drive (between the church and graveyard), down to the "water steps" (to the right of the driveway entrance to Thyme Cottage).
7. This is the last part of the little section of footpath **6.** as it descends the "water steps" to reach the river. ("Water steps" so-called because villagers used these to collect their domestic water from the river in days gone by).
8. Main road in Upton Pyne eastward initially then northeast past Cox's Hill Farm, becoming footpath **12.** at Brampford Speke parish boundary.
- 8b. Main road at Lake Bridge, east and then south via river bending southwest to meet road north of Lower Woodrow.
9. End of road leading towards Woodrow Barton, this track continues south to meet bridleway **2.** at the parish boundary.

TIP: A good circular walk involves continuing on footpath **9.** which crosses the public bridleway becoming Upton Pyne footpath no. **51.** This path goes through a kissing gate and some woods, past Pynes House, coming out at the Pynes House entrance at the bottom of Pynes Hill. A convenient refreshment stop can then be made at Bernaville Nursery, following which the walk continues up over Pynes Hill and into Upton Pyne. The return to Brampford Speke can be made via any of the footpaths running east across the fields (**10, 8/12 or 11/13**).

10. An eastward branch-off from footpath **8.** near Cox's Hill Farm (Upton Pyne), continuing due east across to Brampford Speke, emerging onto the main road by Stooks Close.
11. Main road in Upton Pyne northwest to reach Brampford Speke parish boundary, where it becomes footpath **13.**
12. Sandy Lane eastwards becoming footpath **8.** at the parish boundary, (which then continues to Upton Pyne).
13. Sandy Lane opposite Paws-A-While west to parish boundary where it becomes footpath **11.** which continues to Upton Pyne.
14. Northwest part of the public bridleway from Woodrow Barton, meeting Burr ridge Rd opposite Gratton Plantation (The northernmost part is labelled 12).
15. Main road north of Brampford Speke village, just north of junction with Chapel Rd, east down to the river. (For the curious – this footpath exists because many years ago, the river ford used to be at this point before it was moved)

SERVICES

Parish Magazine

Speke Up is the parish magazine of Brampford Speke and Upton Pyne. Essential reading for local news, forthcoming events and for the adverts placed by local traders. For £5.00 a year payable in January it will be delivered to your door. Contact Richard Tillet 841268, Linda Findlay 841402.

Post

We have two post boxes, one in the wall in front of Chamberlain's Farm and the main post box is beside the telephone box opposite the school. The nearest Post Offices are in Stoke Canon (on foot across the fields), or in Thorverton by car.

Telephone Box

Opposite the school. Makes 999 calls only. The number is 01392 841262.

Buses

The bus stops are opposite Stooks Close and in front of the school. Buses run on Wednesday and Friday only, leaving here at 10.19 arriving at Exeter Bus Station Stand 5 at 10.43 and leaving Exeter bus station Stand 5 at 13.35 arriving at Brampford Speke at 13.59. Times are also on the Notice Boards. There is no service on Bank Holidays.

Further information can be obtained from Country Bus Devon 01626 833664
info@countrybusdevon.co.uk

Local GPs

GP surgeries used by people living in Brampford Speke are typically one of the following:

- i. Wyndham House Surgery, Silverton, EX5 4HZ, Tel. 01392 860034.
- ii. Redlands Primary Care:
 - Crediton - EX17 2AR, Tel. 01363 727111
 - Thorverton - EX5 5NT, Tel 01363 727111
- iii. Exwick Health Centre, New Valley Rd, Exwick, EX4 2AD, Tel. 01392 676600.

Wyndham House Transport to Doctor Scheme

If you have problems getting to health appointments at Wyndham House Surgery the Silverton Link Up may be able to help. There is no charge for the service, however a donation to their charity is appreciated. Contact Roger Higman: 07821718672

Travelling Library

The van from the County Library comes on alternate Mondays, outside the school from 11.55-12.55. See *Speke Up* for the dates.

Travelling shops / deliveries

- www.milkandmore.co.uk
- www.devonqualityfish.co.uk (delivery every other Friday for orders placed up to Thursday 5pm)

Both the Exe Valley Farm Shop (Thorverton) and Barton Farm Shop (Cowley) sell milk supplied directly from Risdens Farm in Brampford Speke.

Refuse Collection and Recycling

Landfill waste (in the "wheelybins" provided) is collected 3-weekly Fridays except in weeks beginning with a Bank Holiday, when it is a day later. EDDC circulates timing variations, or these can be obtained on 01395 571515, csc@eastdevon.gov.uk or at www.eastdevon.gov.uk.

Recycling collections are weekly on Fridays; EDDC empties the green and blue plastic boxes and new green re-usable sack provided to hold the recyclable materials listed on their pamphlet, available from the Parish Clerk. The nearest public recycling receptacles are in a lay-by on the left of Cowley Bridge Road, on the way into Exeter. As with refuse, collection is usually one day later in a week beginning with a Bank Holiday. For the garden waste collection service ring 01395 571515.

Broadband

Broadband speeds are determined by distance from the telephone exchange; Brampford Speke is relatively fortunate for a village in that despite being five miles from Exeter by road, we are only about a mile as the crow flies from our exchange at Stoke Canon. There are exchange cabinets in Stoke Canon and in Brampford Speke outside the school. Due to service improvements, new "Superfast" broadband is now available in the village, bringing much higher speeds. Fibre broadband should be available by mid 2023.

Village Website

Is at www.brampfordspeke.org.uk. The Coordinator is Mac Merrett on 841490.

CLUBS, SOCIETIES AND ACTIVITIES

Baby And Toddler Group

This meets on Thursday mornings, 9.15-11.15 in the Village Hall (term time only)
Contact Catherine Bending 07964967278

Gardening Club in Upton Pyne

Chairman June Nicks 841272.

The Club brings in excellent speakers to meetings held in Upton Pyne Village Hall.

Ramblers

Ramblers from Brampford Speke and Upton Pyne meet regularly in Upton Pyne to drive to guided rambles as far afield as Dartmoor and Exmoor.

See the **Speke Up**.

Twinning

The village is twinned with Commes (population 390) not far from Bayeux in the French Department of Calvados. Regular, highly successful exchanges between the villages take place

Contact: Pat Brazil 841475 Chairman: Ed Johns 841908

PLANNING AND CONSERVATION

Brampford Speke has a number of older houses and buildings, some 'Listed' in an endeavour to protect their originality and our heritage. East Devon District Council holds a copy of the Statutory List for public inspection and this provides details on each of the listed properties. Listing protects the whole building, inside and out, and possibly also adjacent buildings if they were erected before 1st July 1948.

Guidelines on what you are/are not allowed to do and how to apply for permission before you undertake any work on the building are available from EDDC Planning Department (01395 517484, www.eastdevon.gov.uk/planning_services.htm).

Historic Building Grants

English Heritage will consider making grants towards the repair of listed buildings. For more information telephone their Southwest Regional Office on 08453010007.

Conservation Area

The central area of the Village is a Conservation Area (CA): 'An area of special architectural or historic interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance.' In a CA:-

1. Local authorities have a duty to pay special attention to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the area.
2. The District Council has a duty to formulate and publish proposals for preservation and enhancing the CA. Conservation enhancement schemes are carried out by the District Council.
3. Planning applications may have to be taken to public enquiry.
4. Permitted development is more restricted than in other areas.
5. Demolition of certain buildings cannot be undertaken without Conservation Area Consent.
6. It is an offence to cut down, top, lop, up-root, wilfully damage or destroy wilfully any tree in the CA without consent of the Local Planning Authority. Fines are up to £20,000 for each tree: you are strongly advised to contact EDDC before you take action on any trees within the CA.

Village Design Statement

In practice, CA regulations have had very limited success in conserving the character of the area. More powerful is the Village Design Statement (VDS) of 2003. Supported by the Parish Council and by widespread consultation with the village, it has been adopted by EDDC as Supplementary Planning Guidance. The VDS was designed to help EDDC to protect the whole village's 'natural and built environment' and will also help anyone making a local planning application. The VDS can be viewed or downloaded from the EDDC website (just enter "Brampford Speke Village Design Statement" into your internet search engine and a link will appear).

Parish Plan

In addition to the VDS, Brampford Speke has a Parish Plan (PP) - designed to complement the VDS. As with the VDS, it was produced by a working group set up by, and answerable to, the Parish Council. The PP is "a declaration by local people of how we view our village and its environment. It is an expression of public will, produced through consultation with the village". The PP involved a confidential survey of opinion of every household in the parish, which had an excellent return rate of 77%. The results of this survey both inform Parish Council policy and also have led to the creation of a number of "action groups" with specific tasks. The PP was adopted by EDDC in 2011, and can be viewed or downloaded from the EDDC website (just enter "Brampford Speke Parish Plan" into your internet search engine and a link will

appear). More information about the PP can be obtained from Stuart Logan (Chair of the Working Group) on 840036.

Tree Preservation Orders (TPOs)

Any tree within the Conservation Area is automatically protected by a TPO, plus other individual trees or groups of trees outside of the conservation area. Before undertaking any work on a tree, please check with the Tree Warden or East Devon District Council as to whether it is protected by a TPO.

Tree-Warden

Elaine Hollingsworth, Station House, Brampford Speke, Exeter, Devon, EX5 5HF,
Tel: 841434.

BONFIRES

Please remember that bonfire smoke can be very irritating and even harmful, particularly to people with chest or heart problems, and may ruin a line full of washing or someone's enjoyment of their garden that day. Anyone lighting a fire and allowing smoke to drift across a road faces a fine of up to £2000 under the Highways (Amendment) Act 1986, and under the Environmental Protection Act 1990 it is an offence to cause a nuisance through the creation of smoke; maximum penalty £5000. Composting is a much better alternative both from the environmental point of view, and to produce excellent fertiliser for your garden. Advice on composting is available from Street Scene on 01395 517528.

IF YOU MUST LIGHT A BONFIRE, REMEMBER TO WARN YOUR NEIGHBOURS.

Non-compostable woody cuttings may be taken to any of the County Council's Civic Amenity Compounds (eg Pinhoe or Copplestone), or the District Council's waste contractors will collect them (bagged) for a small charge; ring 01395 517528.

DOG FOULING AND DOG WASTE BINS

There has been a particular problem in recent years from the small minority of people who do not clean-up after their dog. Both East Devon District Council (EDDC) and the police are committed to dealing with those responsible.

On 1/10/09 EDDC adopted Dog Control Orders for all of East Devon, under The Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005. As a result, it is an offence not to clean-up after your dog if it fouls, and this applies to all land whether on a footpath or not. This includes all fields, verges and roads inside or outside of a speed zone. Being unaware of your dog fouling is not accepted as a defence. At present, this means an £80 fixed penalty or if appropriate the matter would be sent to the Magistrates Court where a fine of up to £1000 could be imposed. Brampford Speke Parish Council thanks all those dog owners who do clean-up

after their dog, and even more so those who clean-up after others! There are two dog waste bins in the parish: 1) At the top of the path leading down to the bridge over the river and 2) Attached to a telegraph pole just outside of the road which leads into the church (Church Drive).

SECURITY

Police

If you see a crime taking place dial 999.

For non-emergencies, dial 101.

If you have any general concerns, contact the Bramford Speke Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator Jan Birmingham 840100

Our "Police Community Support Team" can be contacted by telephone by dialling 101 (non-emergency) or email at www.devon-cornwallpolice.uk

Bramford Speke Neighbourhood Watch

The aims of our Neighbourhood Watch are to alert villagers about crime or suspicious activity, provide the latest crime prevention information and liaise with the police to ensure they are aware of any issues or concerns. We would encourage you to register the coordinator below. By doing so, we will be able to email (or telephone) information to you.

Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator: Jan Birmingham 840100

Traffic Problems

Traffic and parking is an area of concern and improvements are continually considered and implemented. The Parish Council has succeeded in lowering the speed limit in the village to 20 mph.

Please:

- keep your speed to 20mph throughout the village (BY LAW)
- watch out for children and animals in the road
- park away from junctions and field gates (tractors and trailers need lots of turning room)
- Be horse and rider aware and adopt the necessary highcode requirements (pass wide and slowly, min of 2 meters distance and max 10mph)
- leave room for emergency vehicles
- Do not park where there are traffic cones

- The police will deal with any vehicle causing an obstruction if it is reported to them.

The Parish Council is happy to receive suggestions for traffic management.

ADMINISTRATION / LOCAL GOVERNMENT

BRAMPFORD SPEKE PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Tracy Watkins 01884 251759 clerkbspc@gmail.com

Chairman (Acting):

Alan Birmingham 840100 alan.birmingham.bspc@gmail.com

Other Councillors:

Stuart Luxton	841094	stuart@stuartluxton.co.uk
Will Honan	07864990036	will.honan.bspc@gmail.com
Elaine Hollingsworth	841434	elaine.hollingsworth.bspc@gmail.com
Richard Tillett	841268	richard.tillett.bspc@gmail.com
Nichola Vickers	07968053861	nichola.vickers.bspc@gmail.com
Brad Hillson	07870 865231	brad.hillson.bspc@gmail.com

Other useful Numbers:

Footpath Wardens: Wynn Stait	footpaths.BSPC@gmail.com
Tree Warden: Elaine Hollingsworth	841434
Village Hall bookings: Molly Luxton	841270
Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator: Jan Birmingham	840100

If you have a matter that you wish to be considered by the Parish Council please contact the Clerk or any of the Councillors and it will be put on an Agenda. You are welcome to attend any meeting and there is a 15 minute open forum at the beginning of each when anybody can raise an issue.

EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL - Council Offices, Knowle, Sidmouth, Devon EX10 8HL Tel: 01395 516551

- East Devon District Councillor: Jamie Kemp 07538570551 jkemp@eastdevon.gov.uk
- Dog warden, dog bins, litter bins and recycling boxes: 01395 517528
- Planning: Details of planning applications are available for viewing from the Clerk or on www.eastdevon.gov.uk/publicplaces

DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL (01392) 382000

Devon County Councillors:

CLr Sarah Randall-Johnson, 01404 822524 sara.randalljohnson@devon.gov.uk

CLr Henry Gent Henry.Gent@devon.gov.uk

Highways Operations Control Centre 01392 383329 (8am – 8pm) Or 03451551004
(out of hours)

River pollution: Environment Agency 0800 807060

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