

BURTON BRADSTOCK

# WELCOMES YOU

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BURTON BRADSTOCK | WEST DORSET | ENGLAND

## The Village

At the westerly end of Chesil Beach, in the beautiful Bride Valley where the River Bride wends its way to the sea, lies **Burton Bradstock**, a pretty village of some 1,000 residents. Today, the heart of the village is still unspoilt with pretty 16th and 17th century thatched cottages clustered around St Mary's Church.



On behalf of the Online Group and the whole of the Village, we welcome you to Burton Bradstock.

We hope the information given in this Welcome Pack will help you to settle more comfortably into your new home and the Village. We wish that you will soon enjoy getting to know your new neighbours and make new friends.

Neighbours usually become your first contacts and advisors but please feel free to make contact with any of the organisations listed herein. As residents, we trust you will quickly become and feel part of this community. We have tried to gather as much useful information as possible but would be pleased to hear any suggestions or improvements you might have about this Pack.

More local information is available via our website and in the Library. The website carries the most up to date version of this document. We hope you will have many happy years in Burton Bradstock and hope you will join with us in creating a vibrant and friendly community.

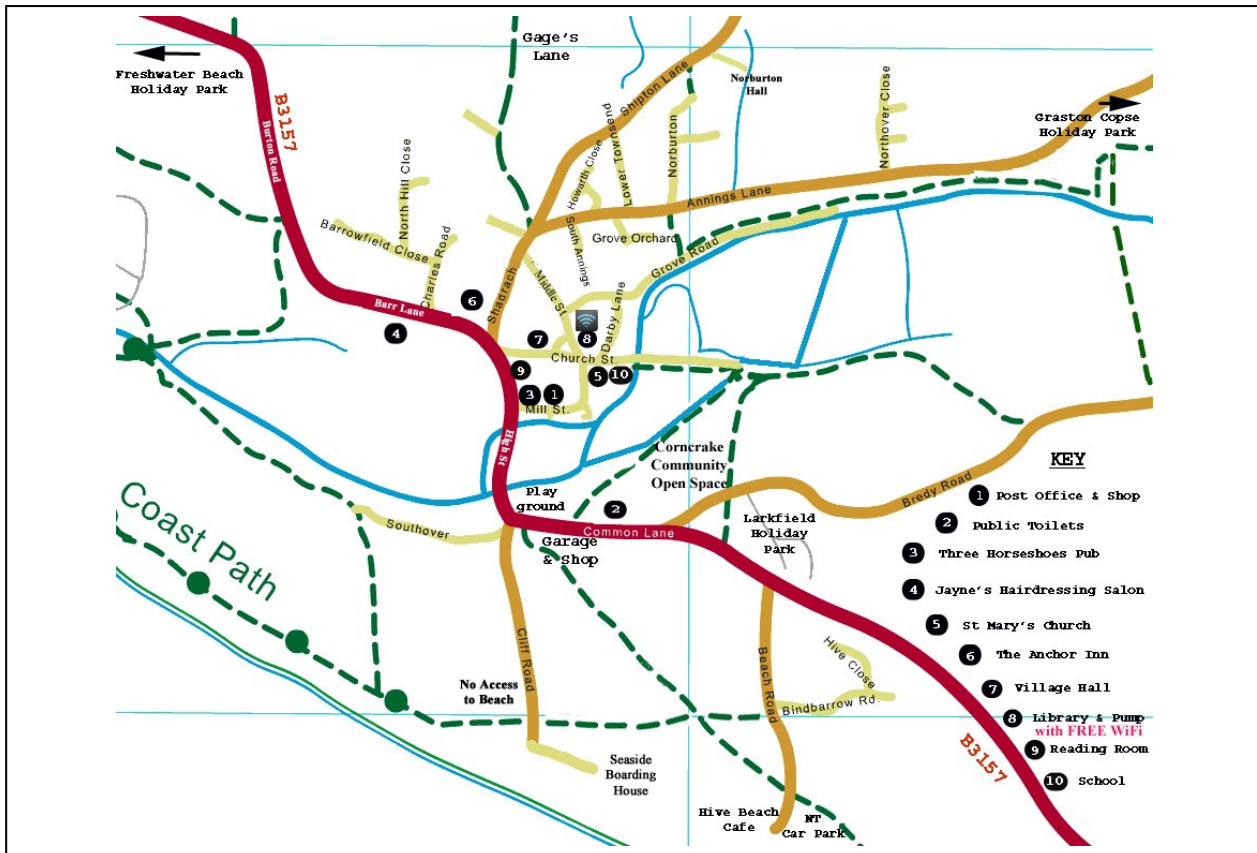
## Where did the name Burton Bradstock come from?

In Saxon days, the village was called Brideton or Bridetone meaning the village of the river Bride which evolved to Bridetona as recorded in the Domesday Book of 1086.

Bradstock came from Bradenstoke named after Bradenstoke Priory in Wiltshire to which the village once belonged. The present name appears to be a corruption of the two names.



# VILLAGE MAP



## USEFUL LINKS

### VILLAGE WEBSITE

[www.burtonbradstock.org.uk](http://www.burtonbradstock.org.uk)

### VILLAGE FACEBOOK PAGE

[www.facebook.com/groups/2140595776218633/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/2140595776218633/)

### PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

[www.burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org](http://www.burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org)

# LOCAL FACILITIES

## POST OFFICE, FARM SHOP AND STORES

The Village Post Office is on Mill Street next to the Three Horseshoes. One of the most valued assets of the Village, owned jointly by the Parish Council and the Village Society, the Post Office is leased by Gill and Pete Mayo. The Mayos are local farmers who run Maydown Farm Shop and the Stores selling locally-raised produce as well as full Post Office Services. (see Local Businesses).

*Tel: 01308 897243*



## COMMUNITY LIBRARY

The Library is run and managed by “Friends of Burton Bradstock Library” volunteers, with support from Dorset Council, our library is a friendly place to visit. Located by the village green it is open from 3.00pm to 5.00pm on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and from 10.00am to 12.00 noon on Tuesday and Saturday.

Book titles are regularly updated, and access to the extensive on-line catalogue is freely available to order items for local collection and download e-resources. Two public PC’s, photocopying and laminating, jigsaws, DVDs, free WiFi, maps, notelets, magazines, and local newspapers all provide a wealth of information and facilities.

*Tel: 01308 897563, Email: [info@burtonbradstocklibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@burtonbradstocklibrary.org.uk), [www.burtonbradstocklibrary.org.uk](http://www.burtonbradstocklibrary.org.uk) or Friends of Burton Bradstock Library on Facebook*

## ST MARY THE VIRGIN CHURCH

The Church lies at the heart of the village and the chiming of the clock and the ringing of the bells remind everyone of its existence.

It is an important historic building with 12th Century origins but much altered over the years. We now have a light and welcoming place for all to visit.

It is, however, much more than an attractive building. It is primarily a place of worship and all are welcome at the services, of which there are several different types. Details of these services are displayed by the churchyard gate, on the village website and in the Bride Valley News.

The church is used for many and varied events particularly by the adjacent school and the annual Music Festival.





## CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

The School, recently rated 'Good' by Ofsted (2019), has occupied an important place in the heart of the Village since 1865 (extensively rebuilt in 1992) and is next to the Church. Now part of the Minerva Learning Trust, which includes two primary schools and the secondary school in Bridport, it is generally the school of choice for families living in the Village and in Shipton Gorge along with a significant number of families from Bridport and surroundings, providing (including the relatively new Foundation Stage Unit) for children from the age of 4 (3 from January 2020) to 11. The active 'Friends of the School' welcomes support from beyond pupils' families and organises regular events for the wider community, including the annual Duck Race on the River Bride in the Village.

*More information is available on the School website at [www.burtonbradstock.dorset.sch.uk](http://www.burtonbradstock.dorset.sch.uk)*

## PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council meets in the Reading Room on the first Wednesday of each month except in August. In addition to considering local planning applications (as a consultee), meetings provide the opportunity for residents to express their views on all local issues. The Parish Council also owns and manages the Reading Room, Corncrake field, the Allotments in Southover, the Recreation Ground and Play Area (see below), and the Post office.

*For more information see the website at [www.burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org](http://www.burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org). Contact the Clerk on [burtonbradstock@dorset-aptc.gov.uk](mailto:burtonbradstock@dorset-aptc.gov.uk) or phone 07814 016971 or write to The Reading Room, High Street, Burton Bradstock, DT6 4QA*



## CHILDRENS' PLAYGROUND AND PLAYING FIELD

On Cliff Corner opposite Burton Bradstock Garage are the Playground and Recreation area. Run by the Parish Council, the Playground is having an extensive, three staged renovation with the first stage complete and fundraising for stages two and three underway. This important project for the younger members of the Community would welcome help from anyone in the village interested.

*Please contact the Clerk, [burtonbradstock@dorsetaptc.gov.uk](mailto:burtonbradstock@dorsetaptc.gov.uk)*

## **BRIDE VALLEY CAR SERVICE**

Providing a door to door service to all medical appointments for residents of the Bride Valley villages. All drivers are volunteers and have DBS clearance. Cost 50p per mile plus standard £1 charge. Payment in cash made to the driver at the end of the journey when mileage calculated.

*Please book as early as possible by phoning Lesley Dove on 01308 897695*



## **NATIONAL COASTAL INSTITUTION**

### **LYME BAY**

NCI Lyme Bay is a recipient of the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service. If you are afloat within the bay or walking on the coastline, The NCI are there to do radio checks, give weather and tide information and keep an eye out for you. If there is an ongoing incident, they shall tell you but they would also like to be advised if you are just practising eskimo rolls/cliff launches/net retrievals/skier-recovery.

*Primary Contact: Judy Clarke, Acting Station Manager on 07786 354403*

# LOCAL BUSINESSES

## POST OFFICE, FARM SHOP AND STORES

In the heart of the Village is the Post Office and Maydown Farm Shop selling Fresh Meat, Bread, Milk, Newspapers, Locally Sourced Produce, Stationery and all your Post Office needs including a free Cash Withdrawal facility. It is also a Parcel Collection Point and a Laundry Service is available too.

*Tel: 01308 897243*



At Cliff Corner are two separate businesses:

## BURTON BRADSTOCK CARS AND GARAGE

A long-established car dealership selling new and quality second hand cars and vans as well as providing repairs and MOTs.

*Tel: 01308 897966*

## CENTRAL STORES

Providing a comprehensive convenience Store and Petrol Station.

*Tel: 01308 897199*



## THE THREE HORSESHOES

The Three Horseshoes Pub and Kitchen is a beautiful three-hundred-year-old thatched stone property. Menus reflect the local area and change regularly to ensure seasonality of the produce.

*Tel: 01308 897259*





## THE ANCHOR INN

The Anchor Inn prides itself on its high quality and locally sourced dishes, supporting West Dorset's farmers, fisheries and bakeries.

*Tel: 01308 897228*

## THE HIVE BEACH CAFÉ

The Hive Beach Café is located right on the beach at Burton Bradstock. With far reaching views across Lyme Bay and Chesil Beach, it's an ideal location to enjoy fresh, local seafood, homemade cakes or just a simple cup of tea.

[www.hivebeachcafe.co.uk](http://www.hivebeachcafe.co.uk)



## THE SEASIDE BOARDING HOUSE

Inspired by a mixture of classic British Edwardian hotels and the Cape Cod paintings of Edward Hopper, The Seaside Boarding House Restaurant & Bar is a unique collaboration of old and new; lovingly renovated furniture and fittings from the 1920's to 1980's, marine salvage, nautical paintings and then touches like a fabulous collection of Peter Blake prints on loan from art dealer Paul Stolper, that fit perfectly with the ageless decor.

*Tel: 01308 897205*

## JAYNE'S HAIR AND BEAUTY SALON

Situated in the High Street, the Salon offers a full range of hair and beauty treatments.

*Tel: 01308 897309*



# SOCIETIES AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

## THE VILLAGE SOCIETY

With over 280 members the Burton Bradstock Village Society is one of the best ways to meet people when new to the Village. In the Village Hall through the winter the Society holds monthly talks on a wide range of subjects appealing to all tastes, with wine, tea and coffee available. The Society organises the Annual Flower and Produce Show, an annual outing to places of interest and is the driving force for most of the events which have occurred in the Village since its inception in 1974.

The Society own half the Freehold of the Village Post office with the Parish Council.

*For further information please contact Roger Ashman, Honorary Secretary, 01308 898442*

## WI

The active WI meets on the second Tuesday of the month except August when there is no meeting. Meetings are in the Hall at 7.30pm. March to October inclusive and 2.15pm. November to February. There are various interest groups: Walking, Reading, Mahjong, 4B's (where members bring their own sewing, knitting, craft or play cards, Canasta, Scrabble etc.) There is also a lunch club where members visit various local restaurants for lunch. In addition, a Christmas Lunch, a Spring Lunch and various outings and trips to the theatre are arranged.

*Please contact [burtonbradstockwi@gmail.com](mailto:burtonbradstockwi@gmail.com)*

## VILLAGE HALL

Owned by the WI, the hall is run by the Village Hall Trust committee who are responsible for its upkeep, financial probity and day to day management. The vast majority of events in the Village take place in the Village Hall which can be rented for a small fee subject to availability.

The Hall is an ideal venue for functions and activities, regular or one-offs, can hold around 120 and has all necessary facilities. There is also a small Meeting Room which comfortably seats 12.

*For more information contact the Bookings Officer on 01308 897648 or email [bbvhtbookings@gmail.com](mailto:bbvhtbookings@gmail.com)*



**The Hall is used regularly by a variety of organisations, some of which are listed below:**

### ART GROUP – MONDAY

Monday afternoon in the Village Hall with Linda Connolly.

*Contact 01305 871178*

### ART GROUP – FRIDAY

Friday morning in the Village Hall with Debbie Veitch.

*Contact 01305 786927 or 07411 160573*

## BRIDGE

An active Duplicate Bridge group meets every Tuesday afternoon from 1.45pm – 4.45pm (except July and August) in the Village Hall.  
*Contact Christine Clark 01308 898117*

## COFFEE STOPS

Coffee Mornings, where a hot drink and a biscuit are available for 50p, are run mid-month to provide a general “meet and chat”. They run on a Wednesday from 10am-12noon and all are welcome.

## SHORT MAT BOWLS

Meetings on Mondays at 7pm March - September in the Village Hall. Informal friendly group, equipment supplied and no previous experienced needed. Just come and see.

## BROWNIES

The Brownie Pack meets weekly on Wednesday nights.  
*Contact Sue Palfrey 01308 424033*

## PILATES

Classes are held on a Thursday morning from 9.30.  
*Contact Felicity Cottenham 01308 281316*

## YOGA

Tuesdays – 9.30-11.00 in the Village Hall  
*Contact Sue O’Sullivan 01308 897215*

## ARTSREACH

Artsreach is a registered charity which brings high quality performances of live theatre, music, dance and family shows to the heart of rural communities across Dorset. Burton Bradstock hosts a variety of events each year, usually in the Village Hall but also in St Mary’s Church. Details are always in the Bride Valley News and on the village noticeboards. Tickets are available from the Post Office, and also online.  
*Full details and the programme throughout Dorset are on the Artsreach website [artsreach.co.uk](http://artsreach.co.uk) and on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/Artsreachdorset](http://www.facebook.com/Artsreachdorset).*

## BB FILMS

On the last Friday of the month from September to May the recent and most popular films in the national cinemas are shown in the village hall. Tickets are just £5 each and this price includes a large glass of wine or a soft drink. The evening is a friendly, social event and has become very popular with locals and visitors. Current and upcoming films are advertised each month in the Bride Valley News and tickets may be obtained from Burton Bradstock Post Office or, if available, at the door on the night.

## BB PLAYERS

The Burton Bradstock Players are a small amateur dramatic society based at the Village Hall in Burton Bradstock. The society is run by a small committee consisting of Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and up to six other members. There are usually two shows a year – a Pantomime, Murder Mystery or something similar about February time and a play in the middle of the year. There are also ‘Play Readings’ at times during the year. Subscription is £14 a year and all comers are welcome. Basic rehearsal days are Tuesday and Thursday from 7pm in the Hall.  
*For more information please phone 01308 897751*

## THE FESTIVAL OF MUSIC AND ART

One of the highlights in August is the nine days when Burton Bradstock holds its Festival of Music and Art. A wide range of tastes are catered for including classical, jazz and world music all performed by internationally renowned musicians under our musical director David Juritz. The Art Exhibition featuring both professional and amateur artists runs concurrently in the Village Hall with a large turnover of art making it worthwhile visiting several times.

*For more information about becoming a friend or acting as a volunteer please contact Chris Sundt at [sundt@echini.co.uk](mailto:sundt@echini.co.uk)*

## NATIONAL TRUST VOLUNTEERS

Burton Bradstock has an active group of enthusiastic volunteers who would welcome any new recruits. They are easily contacted via the National Trust Hut at The Hive Beach.

## QUIZ NIGHTS

A Spring Quiz, held in April, and the Christmas Quiz in early December are organized by the Village Hall Committee. These events have proved very popular and raise funds in aid of the Village Hall.

## SOCIAL SUPPER GROUP

The Group meets once a month for Supper at the Golf Club.

*For further information, enquiries and/or to register, please call Mags Chue on 01308 897543 or Hazel Dalglish on 01308 897894*

## VILLAGE FAYRE AND CHURCH FETE

The former held in May in aid of the Village Hall, the latter on the first Thursday in August to raise money for the Church. Both events are great fun and always welcome Volunteers.

## VILLAGE VOLUNTEERS

The Volunteers objective is to keep our village looking beautiful, and serviceable. Since its inception in 2012, Burton Bradstock has been awarded runner-up in the Best Village Award - Dorset for 2012, Winner for same event in 2015, winner of an environmental award also in 2015, and first place for West Dorset Villages in 2018. The Volunteers work on behalf of the parish council, and are insured by them. They have purchased tools to use, which are stored centrally. Activities range from litter collection, gardening, planting, sowing wild flower seeds, weeding, painting, clearing leaves, trimming shrubs, clearing drains, sweeping gutters, clearing ditches, and a "Spring Clean" in April of each year. Volunteers choose what they wish to do. The Volunteers meet twice a month, the first Thursday and third Tuesday for a morning's activity. As a Volunteer, you can choose how much you do. They usually meet at 9am, and work between two and three hours. They are a very sociable group, and their efforts are recognised by local businesses, and sometimes rewarded!

*Coordinator Peter Tompkins, email [peterjtompkins@hotmail.com](mailto:peterjtompkins@hotmail.com) or 01308 897043*

## WALKING GROUP

Burton Bradstock Walkers: organise monthly morning walks of 5-6 miles around a convivial lunch spot. Less serious than the Ramblers - it's as much about the lunch as the walking!

*For more information contact Graham Moody on [moodys@btinternet.com](mailto:moodys@btinternet.com).*

**This document has been created by the Burton Bradstock Online Group who are responsible for the Village website, in collaboration with the Burton Bradstock Village Society and Village Hall Trust and with the support of the Parish Council.**

**We would value Additions and Updates – please email to [bbwpeditor@gmail.com](mailto:bbwpeditor@gmail.com)**

