

Baydon Parish Assembly 2009
Section re the Baydon village website
By Mark Austen

Hello. I am really sorry that I can not be presenting this myself, especially after I have not missed a Parish Assembly since I moved into Baydon in 2006, but unfortunately I am currently away on business.

For those of you that do not know, I have single-handedly looked after the Baydon village website for the last 3 years. In this time I am really pleased to confirm that it has grown from strength to strength and hopefully has sections that represent all aspects of our village and community groups.

More recent additions to the village website have been such things as the ability to do a simple search via the main / Homepage to find anything you are looking for on a particular local subject, be it a topic previously discussed at a Baydon Parish Council Meeting to a perhaps a local news item or a forthcoming event.

There are separate pages for local News & Events, the Parish Council, the church, the School, the shop, the pub, and a page for all our local clubs, community organisations and so on.

There are various other features, such as current and back copies of the Scene In Baydon, local weather and travel, local contacts and phone numbers, and even a live webcam overlooking the Village Green across to the shop and pub.

If anyone has any ideas for new sections or features, please just let me know either by using the contact page on the website itself (www.baydon.org) or sending an e-mail to website@baydon.org

I will not bore you in detail with the website's visitor statistics but will just say that as an example for the last complete calendar month of March 2009 we had an average of 57 (fifty-seven) unique visitors looking at the website every single day of the month.

The more fresh and up to date content that I have, the better the website becomes, so please do send me details of any local news item, an event you are arranging, or anything of interest to others in Baydon and I will get it posted up promptly for you. I usually update the village website about 5 days during the average week.

Thanks for listening, really sorry again that I am not there, and thanks to Tony for reading this out for me.

Regards
Mark Austen