

NEWS AND EVENTS

LATE SUMMER BBQ - SEPTEMBER 2015

Come and find out more about the Bright Exchange!

We are having a BBQ on Saturday Sept 19th, 2015 at 1:30pm. People interested in joining the scheme are welcome to attend. If raining, it will be indoors.

Access details: Entrance on the ground floor; six steps to front door. Garden is accessed from kitchen, down a staircase.

To find out more and register your interest, please contact Deborah on 01273 731329 or by email: deborahknowles@ntlworld.com.

JOINING MEETINGS

For those wishing to join the Bright Exchange

It is highly recommended that new members attend a joining evening where the scheme will be explained, the joining forms can be completed, questions answered - "one stop shop" - all done on one evening.

If new members would like to come to a joining evening please contact Deborah on 01273 731329 or by email: deborahknowles@ntlworld.com. We usually hold 4 joining meetings a year.

A NEW BRIGHTS BUSINESS CARD AND T-SHIRT

Members may have noticed the new Bright Exchange business card included in their recent renewal pack. These are thanks to Mary Howard, who has also designed a T-shirt featuring the same sunflower design.

She is hoping to get a new Marketing/PR group started, with the aim to raise the profile of the Bright Exchange among students. If you'd like to help or have ideas or suggestions, please contact her on 271858 or at mary-howard@hotmail.com.

BRIGHT EXCHANGE RECENT EVENT SATURDAY JANUARY 5TH, 2008 8pm - 11:30pm

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Click to find out what's happening at the Brights allotment in Hove...

This event took place at Hanover Community Centre in Southover Street featuring an evening of blues, soul and funk with THE INFORMERS (have a look at www.informers.bluesfans.co.uk)!

Guests enjoyed a bar and a free early finger food buffet as well as dancing!

THE BRIGHT EXCHANGE WELCOMES FORMER MEMBERS OF THE HANOVER LETS SCHEME

The Bright Exchange is delighted to have several new members who were formerly part of the now disbanded 'Hanover LETS' scheme. The January 2008 party will take place in Hanover and we hope that other former members will join in the fun.

BRIGHT EXCHANGE CHRISTMAS FAIR SAT DEC 16, 2006

The pictures below were taken at the 2006 Christmas Fair, which took place at the Cornerstone Community Centre in Hove.





Many thanks to Enrico Tedeschi for submitting these photos, taken on his phone!!!



COME JOIN IN AT THE ALLOTMENT!



The Allotment Group is thrilled with its new greenhouse! The structure, which was a donation, was successfully dismantled and removed from a private garden in 2005.

Why not join the group and help put it to good use?

Email [Jenny](#) to be put in contact with the Allotment Group.

See photos of the greenhouse's incredible journey from garden to allotment by clicking [here](#)

NEW DIRECTORIES, AUTUMN 2006

Current members should have now received our new 2006/7 directory and the 2006 newsletters. Many thanks for your patience and happy trading to all!

June 2005

Articles featuring the Bright Exchange and its members recently appeared in both the **Daily Express** and the **Argus** earlier this year. See our [Press page](#) to read them.



The Bright Exchange **database** is being carefully transferred to the new software we've bought and we can look forward to **a new Brights directory** in July if all goes well. The administration apologises for the delay, which has been due to a combination of illness and complications with the new software; however, we all hope that the new system will make the directory easier for us to produce in the future.

Thanks to Monica and Chris, the Bright Exchange has run a **promotional stall** at several events in order to attract new members and let people know more about LETS. Our Womens Day stall at the Brighthelm Centre was a success

and we're looking forward to participating in an upcoming Lifestyle/ Health event on July 23rd in St Peter's Church Hall in Portland Road, Hove.

Meanwhile down at the **allotment**, amazing progress has been made! A beautiful new pond (complete with tadpoles!) has been dug. A lovely new shed and several new plots have been set up and planted out as membership to the Allotment Group grows. See our [Allotment page](#) to read more about the project.

August 2004

Good news! The Bright Exchange is about to become more efficient. We've recently purchased a Bright Exchange laptop and the latest LETS software to make it easier for the admin to run the scheme. This should make it much simpler for us to print new directories, keep files up to date and view user balances. Before the current data is transferred to the new system, letters will be sent to ex-members, inviting them to rejoin and retain their balances in Brights.

Summer's here! Fancy growing some vegetables? Then why not get involved with **THE BRIGHTS ALLOTMENT PROJECT**? Come along and 'tame' a patch if you can and soon you could be enjoying fresh salads and courgettes! Contact [Jenny](#) or Chris to get involved.

Allotment enthusiasts are still seeking a shed or greenhouse and are willing to dismantle and remove your unwanted shed from your garden. They're also keen to borrow (in exchange for Brights?) a petrol or cordless strimmer to cut back the weeds (which are growing like crazy!). If you can help with either of these needs, please contact [Jenny](#). See pictures and read more on the [Allotment Page](#)! Photo on right shows the allotment in Feb 2004.

In April an **EXHIBIT** promoting the BRIGHT EXCHANGE went on display in the central glass case at the **Hove Library**. The idea was to show off some of the talents and skills of Brights members as well as to help attract new members. Handmade objects, photos and information all contributed to the display, which has now been taken down.



April also saw the launch of the first ever **BRIGHTS WEBSITE!** Comments and suggestions are welcome and we're particularly eager to add interesting/useful links to our Links page. You're also invited to send in **stories and photos** to illustrate your personal experience with the Bright Exchange. This kind of material is being collected for use on the website, in press releases/leaflets etc.. Please send comments, links, stories etc. to [Jenny](#).