

Bradley Stoke Town Council

# Newsletter



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## Bradley Stoke Celebrates Anniversary Year

### ANNIVERSARY YEAR APRIL 2007 TO MARCH 2008

Look out for the increasing use of this Logo as various events happening in the year appear.

BSTC Members agreed a full programme of happenings throughout the year at Council on the 17 January.

The foremost event will be a stronger Community Festival from 8 to the 10 June 2007, with the Saturday being an enlarged and restructured event at the Bradley Stoke Jubilee Centre.

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### Message from the Chair



I would like to take the opportunity to wish everyone a very successful 2007 and look forward to meeting lots more of you at our Community Events in our Anniversary Year.

Bradley Stoke has good cause to celebrate as 2007 will be a year of quadruple celebration for Bradley Stoke Town Council. It is the 20th year of Bradley Stoke's existence, 15th year of the Council, 10th year of dedicated Community Buildings (the old Blue Hut) and the 5th year of both the Community Festival and the opening of the Bradley Stoke Jubilee Centre - a series of events that we are looking forward to commemorating and would value any ideas that residents may have. Please email in to [administrator@bradleystoke.gov.uk](mailto:administrator@bradleystoke.gov.uk) or ring 01454 868081.

Cllr Ronnie Conway-Haskins, Chair BSTC

### Don't let us be on our own



### Be part of the fun at the festival

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# Community Festival 2007

From 8 to the 10 June 2007

## Ice and Snow in June

Appearing for one day at the Community Festival on Saturday 9th June will be a travelling synthetic ice rink. So brush up your skills and show us your Moves on Ice.

The lower football pitch this year will be transformed into an Events Area, with the Mobile Stage relocating from the far car park area to the middle of the first car park.

Events already booked that will be happening on Stage and on the Arena are:

## Main Stage

- 11.30am** Egyptian dancers – Anna and local troupe
- 12.00pm** Roy and Care Bear friend Magic show
- 1.00pm** School Reunion band – 1980s/1990s tribute band
- 2.00pm** Community Entertainers
- 2.30pm** School Reunion band – 1980s/1990s tribute band
- 3.30pm** Clive's music school band – local music teacher and band
- 4.30pm** Roy and Care Bear friend Magic show
- 5.00pm** The Quantum Project – tribute band
- 6.00pm** stage finished – packs up to move to Baileys Court

*All timing and performers subject to change.*

## Arena Area

- 12.30pm** Russ Martins Tae Kwon Do – local group
- 1.30pm** Mountain bike stunt team – Mad Mike and his team of riders
- 3.00pm** Terrier Tykes – agility and terrier racing team
- 4.00pm** Welsh Axe Men – sculpt shapes from green wood

## Static Shows – 12pm – 6pm

### Ice rink

100 pairs of skates supplied with space for 40/50 skaters at any one time

### Petting zoo

Various animals, including Llamas, sheep, goats etc

### Pop music School

Clive's Music School Demos

### Train rides

Small train to run in 25ft circle on the site

### Terrier team

Terrier Tykes on Show.

On the Upper Pitch will be the Football Tournament being organized by Martin Lee, ably assisted by Gunnar Moran and Nick Potter, of BSYFC/BSTFC, with Geoff Twentyman, BBC Radio Bristol, presenting medals and cups to the participants.

On the Jubilee Green will be Community Stalls, Professor Panic's Circus, an International Food Village to make sure you are not hungry during the day. Rotary will be once again providing their incomparable Beer Tent.

Little Stoke Women's Group will be providing Tea, Coffee and home made cakes from the Bradley Stoke Jubilee Centre and inside and on the patio will be the first Bradley Stoke Local Produce Group showcasing their wares – local vegetable, cakes, eggs, cheese and meat suppliers and other suppliers that are still being sourced.







## Other upcoming events...

### Friday 8 June 2007

#### DAYTIME

#### 20th Birthday Party for Pre-School Children 11.00am until 2.00pm BSJC/Jubilee Green

organised jointly with Jeanette Edwards of South Glos Early Learning and her team.

There will be lots of Face Painters, Storytellers, Entertainers, Prof Panic's Circus and his Clowns and Entertainers. There will be a 20th Birthday Cake – parents/carers will bring their own picnic for the event.

#### EVENING

#### Evening Reception for invited guests – people who have contributed to the growth of Bradley Stoke as a Community.

Presentation of the Pride in Bradley Stoke Award. Presentation to other local Organisations of Anniversary Mementos.

### Sunday 10 June

#### DAYTIME

#### Baileys Court Activity Centre – Morning – Outdoor Church Service am followed by family picnic

Bristol East Brass Band accompanying the picnic and tea time at the Cricket Match.

Bradley Stoke All Stars vs Bradley Stoke 20/20 Cricket Match

Organic Burger Van with Organic Hereford Beefburgers

- Organic Southdown & Vendeen Cross Lambburgers
- Additive-free Hampshire Pork Sausages
- Home cured Hampshire Bacon

Bouncy Castles, and family entertainment

### Bradley Stoke Jubilee Centre and Bradley Stoke's other areas

#### Bradley Stoke Fun Run

– organized by Sole Sisters/BSTC, and after successful 6k run last year increased to 10k this year.

3k Walk and a separate 1k Toddler Trot – organized by BSTC/Walking for Health – for those who do not want to or cannot run or walk longer distances.

There is also the possibility of a **Netball Tournament** by Local Clubs and possibility of a Multi Faith event to run from early afternoon into early evening in the BSJC.

**Wildspace Event** organised by John V Morris – walks in the woods with life-sized wild animals (Badgers, Squirrels etc)!

### October 2007

We are currently investigating the possibility of **Joint Ball** with Rotary Bristol Aztec (they are 10 years old in 2007). We are hoping that a joint Ball to celebrate would be acceptable and if each could sell 100/125 tickets for a Dinner followed by Dancing at the Hilton this could be a good formal event – maybe with a celebratory keynote speaker.

### November 2007

4 November Fireworks – as in previous years but with a celebratory finale, hot food and drinks.

### December 2007

Joint BSTC and Bradley Stoke Churches **Children's Christmas Party** at the BS Community School. See pictures elsewhere in the newsletter from the 2006 event – Sunday 9 December 2007.

**Christmas Coffee Morning and Craft Fair** – Friday 14 December, part of the normal monthly coffee mornings, but with a totally Christmas theme.

### March 2008

#### International Women's Day.

#### Baileys Court Opening.

Formal opening of extension to the Baileys Court Activity Centre will be celebrated with local residents being invited to an opening ceremony.

#### Christmas Card competition

Local Schools will be invited to take part in a competition for a Bradley Stoke Christmas Card, with three categories – under 7, over 7, over 11 and an overall winner to be selected for the actual card.

**Time Capsule** – we really would love suggestions as to what to put into this and where it could be buried.

#### Bradley Stoke Orchard

There is a possibility of BSTC sponsoring the creation of an Orchard comprising of 20 regional fruit trees (one for each year of the Town's existence) and working with other local organisations as part of a bio diversity project.

## Bradley Bear

Bradley Bear is a character you will see popping up all over the place during the anniversary year.

He will have his own web page on [www.bradleystoke.gov.uk](http://www.bradleystoke.gov.uk) and has already been on lots of travels with Councillors in the past couple of years.

If anyone would like to take Bradley on their trip please contact the Town Council Office and we will see what we can do. He wears the Pride in Bradley Stoke T Shirt and has his own passport and luggage, so he is ready to be an Ambassador for the Town and raise awareness of Bradley Stoke in a positive way.





# Election 2007

## Why not stand for it?

Thursday 3 May 2007 is the date of the next local elections when all seats for membership of Bradley Stoke Town Council fall vacant.

Becoming a Town Councillor is one way of serving your community at local level and taking part in the decision-making process of all aspects of Town life that can have a lasting effect.

*Town Council makes no apologies for reprinting this article first published in September – it is your chance to join in and make a difference to the future of the Town.*

In The Parish Councillor's Guide (18th Ed. Shaw & Sons, 2003) it is written that Parish or Town Councils "are some of the great survivors among our governmental institutions. They were the only councils not abolished by the Local Government Act 1972, albeit reconstituted as community councils in Wales, and have now been in existence for more than 108 years. Long may they prosper as an admirable example of the benefits to our governmental system of local decision-making by elected representatives of the people." In Bradley Stoke there are five Town wards, each returning three members to the Town Council, making 15 Councillors in all. If you wish to stand for one of these seats you should either contact the party organisation of your choice or, if you wish, stand as an independent and 'go it alone'. Bradley Stoke Town Council offers no remuneration for serving the community in this way. Certain expenses are payable but it is no path to wealth or even glory. Nominations forms will be available in due course from the Returning Officer of South Gloucestershire Council; to whom they should be returned on completion. From the 15 Councillors who will form Bradley Stoke Town Council will be drawn standing committees to advise on Finance & Leisure, and Planning, Environment & Amenities. As the statutorily elected body, Councillors also represent the interests of the community on numerous other committees and organisations in and around the Town.

Next year is the 20th anniversary of the start of the Town, the 15th anniversary since the Town Council was formed, the 10th anniversary since the Town Council's first community centre (The Blue Hut) was opened and the 5th year of the Community Festival. It is also the year in which it is hoped a major new building at Baileys Court Activity Centre will be opened and a range of outdoor facilities installed on the Jubilee Green. All the house building is virtually completed; the secondary Community School has successfully completed its first academic year; and plans for the new retail centre at the heart of the Town have been submitted for approval that should become a reality at the end of 2008. In all there

can be no better time to play a leading role in shaping the community of the future.

The following paragraphs indicate some of the requirements for holding office as a Councillor, although they should not be taken as carrying any legal authority. They apply equally to men and women.

You would be elected for a term of four years. You must be aged 18 years or over, be a British subject, a citizen of the Irish Republic or a citizen of a member state of the European Union and be a local government elector of the Town; or a person who (a) has, during the whole of the 12 months before nomination as a candidate, occupied land or other premises as owner or tenant in the Town, or (b) has, during the same period, resided in that area or within three miles of it, or (c) has, during the same year period, had your principal or only place of work in that area. As a newly elected Town Councillor, you must sign a declaration of office and agree to abide by the approved code of conduct and make written declarations of any interests that may be relevant to your position as a Councillor. A person is disqualified from being elected or being a member of a Town Council if he or she has, within five years before or since their election, been convicted of a crime, and received a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of not less than three months without the option of a fine, or has been adjudged a bankrupt, or holds any paid office within the gift of the Council or by any employee of the Council, or is disqualified under the provisions relating to corrupt or illegal practices.

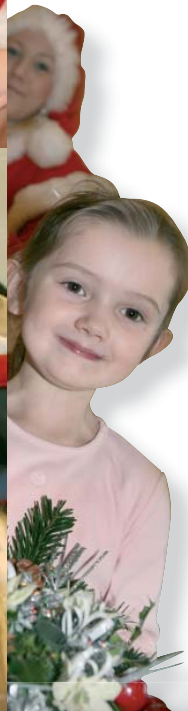
If, as a prospective candidate, you have any party political affiliation, you should contact your local party office for further information on being selected as a candidate; or you can stand as an independent representing any schemes or manifesto you wish to promote. Certain deadlines have to be met of course, in order for you to qualify in time for your name to be included on the ballot paper on the actual polling day. South Gloucestershire Council (01454 868686) is best placed to advise you.







# Bradley Stoke goes Christmas crackers



A very successful coffee morning was held at the Brook Way Activity Centre on Friday 15 December.

Lynne Miller, who organises the Craft Fairs at the BS Community School, arranged for half a dozen craft stalls to be present; the first 50 preschool aged or younger children through the door had a chocolate reindeer made by Lynne Miller and a very happy time was had by all those attending. Coffee mornings will be held at the same location on the second Friday of each month from 9.30 until 12.30. Meetings of the new Local History Group will start at 12noon for approximately one hour and will overlap with the coffee morning.





# Fireworks celebrations go off with a bang

Record Numbers of local residents attended another spectacular display by Kimbolton Fireworks at the Bradley Stoke Jubilee Centre, with hot food supplied by the Bristol Aztec Rotary Club. A record sum of £2,300+ was raised for the Chair's Charities.



## Baileys Court Activity Centre

Planning permission was granted in early December for the new build at the Baileys Court Activity Centre. There will also be some refurbishment of the existing building and we hope that Pearce will be able to start work in early Spring 2007.

## Night Bus

The night bus that runs from the city centre to Bradley Stoke and Patchway at weekends continues to provide a valuable service and we are pleased that the University of the West of England will be joining the scheme during January 2007. Final details of the route and costs are being sorted out as we go to print and revised leaflets giving details of times etc. should be available shortly.

## Tesco

At last Tesco has the all clear to begin work on the Town Centre. This news is confirmed by the Government Office for the South West who say that the Secretary of State does not consider there is sufficient reason to call in the application for her own determination. The decision on whether or not to grant planning permission therefore remains with South Gloucestershire Council. It is hoped that work will begin in the early part of 2007. The Town Council has been working closely with Tesco over the last nine years towards creating a centre worthy of the town and has been pleased to support the latest application that has evolved over the years to provide an interesting and imaginative prospect on a very important site. The whole town is looking forward to an opening date that will, hopefully, be towards the end of 2008.

## Bradley Stoke Jubilee Centre

Additional storage is being constructed at the Bradley Stoke Jubilee Centre to provide more facilities for hirers to keep equipment that they might otherwise have to carry to and fro for their meetings and to make the existing storage more hirer friendly.

## Flooding

The lower football pitch at the Jubilee Centre has been subject to flooding. Investigations by the Town Council and South Gloucestershire Council have resulted in a range of remedial measures that have spread far beyond the field into surrounding roads in Little Stoke. It is hoped that this will cure the problems for future years so that flooding at the bottom end 'won't stop play'.



## Bradley Stoke Youth Development

Music abounds. We are now able to offer music across Bradley Stoke. Young people can learn to mix, sample, mc and write their own music with the help of a professional musician. This is an excellent opportunity for young people to experiment and record their own music.

The project received a grant from Plug into Music for £19,000 to deliver music courses of six weeks duration around Patchway and Bradley Stoke for young people. We are hoping to deliver music for two days in February half term.

Kick Start Sports have been able to deliver free basketball coaching where young people learned to score with their left hand, and to be a team player; and four street dance sessions where the girls were accredited for their efforts.

On behalf of Kick Start we have applied for further funding to offer more physical activities for young people.

## Green Hut Youth Club

Baileys Court Activity Centre is being further developed and when the work is completed part of the facility will be dedicated to young people.

Building work starts early in 2007 and will take about six months to complete. This means the youth club will be running February – March in the Green Hut, until building starts. Sessions will be on a Tuesday and Wednesday 7-9pm; activities include art, music and confidential sexual health information.

From April we will be running a youth night at Brook Way on a Friday open to young people 13-19. We will also be doing various sports activities in Palmers Leaze grass area, trips such as climbing, cinema etc.

We will be planning a couple of trips away where activities will include outward bound, how to challenge bullying, cooking etc.

# Cracking Christmas

Around 150 children from ten local primary schools took part in a fun filled Christmas Activity event at Bradley Stoke Community School in the run up to Christmas, organised jointly by local churches and the Town Council. The afternoon was a heady mix of Christmas songs, games and craft activities with a Christmassy theme, followed up with a presentation of the meaning of Christmas by Rev Paul Peterson from Holy Trinity Church, using a massive exploding Christmas Cracker.

The mayor of Bradley Stoke – Cllr Ronnie Conway-Haskins then welcomed the children on behalf of the town council, before everyone tucked into their Christmas tea with plenty of party food to enjoy. Crackers and balloons added that festive feel and ensured a lively atmosphere throughout. The team running the event was drawn from many of the churches in Bradley Stoke and Patchway, as well as town council staff. Cracking Christmas follows on from the successful Community Carol Services held in the town over the past two years. Many of the team are well known to the children through their regular visits to the local schools to lead their Key Stage Two Assemblies.





# Southern Brooks Community Partnership



The Partnership has been busy over the past few months, setting up new activities in Bradley Stoke.



Stacy Harvey (left)  
and Corrina Wood (Right)



In September, we were funded through the Extended Schools cluster, to run after-school activities in two primary schools and Bradley Stoke Community School. So we quickly recruited a new staff team and now employ 27 staff, working in after school clubs across the area. The clubs are intended to get the children working together, learning new skills and having fun. Early in 2007, we will have had a range of parenting workshops and groups under way and are setting up support groups for parents of primary school children, aimed at giving parents the chance to talk about their experiences of raising children. In March we'll be running workshops especially for parents of children with special needs. We have just employed Yvette Holloway as a "Schools Link Worker", making the bridge between families and schools if things get a bit tough. She is based within our staff team at Bradley Stoke Community School.

In September we received funding through South Gloucestershire Council and the Learning & Skills Council to run a course for people interested in setting up things in the community. Running for 12 sessions over the year, 21 people worked together to learn new skills and put them into practice; many of the participants live in Bradley Stoke and it has created lots of new friendships. We hope it will result in new groups starting in the town.

Our Family Support team are actively supporting several

families in the town, Corrina Wood and Stacy Harvey are both employed as community development workers, working with local people to find local solutions to local problems. They are also in the process of setting up new toddler groups. Stacy is able to help any families who just need a bit of extra support to get them through a difficult time. It may be helping with filling in forms, signposting to other services or just popping in for a coffee and a chat. Cheryl Godsell continues to run weekly play sessions with Tiddlers Toy Library; it's a chance to meet other parents and carers, and borrow good quality toys if you want to. Our Domestic Abuse worker continues to provide telephone support and a weekly group for women living with domestic violence.

Corrina is also working in partnership with the Town Council to provide regular coffee mornings (second Friday of each month), a chance for people to meet together and sometimes raise funds for good causes. Recent events have included a special coffee morning for Macmillan Cancer research, Big Book Sale for the PDSA and a very successful Christmas event.

Corrina Wood set up a scheme to provide a few treats for families in need at Christmas and together with Stacey and the Domestic Abuse Group collected enough from special boxes left at the Town Council Office and Activity Centres to make hampers for 8 families and smaller treats for several others in the local area.

## Bradley Stoke - A History

Corrina has been working with a group of people interested in local history in the town. They meet every month, after the monthly Coffee Morning – 12noon second Friday of each month, at the Brook Way Activity Centre for an hour, and welcome new members.



Southern Brooks Community Partnership are about to submit an application to the Heritage Lottery Fund, to run a project in both Patchway and Bradley Stoke that will research the history of the area. If our application is successful, we'll be able to commission a team of artists to work with local people, including school children, to find out what was in the area in the past, and to create markers/information plaques marking special places.

Please contact David Chandler on 01454 868080 or Corrina Wood on 01454 867076 if you would be interested in becoming part of the Local History Group or in attending any meetings of the Local History Group.



# Multi-faith in Bradley Stoke

In March 2006 funding was received from the Home Office to run Multi-faith events, and in November we held an event at the Jubilee Centre. Munira Hashmi is the project worker and has worked really hard in getting different

faith groups together. Over 130 people attended the event, which was led by the Muslim faith. Our final event will be in March next year; if you'd like to get involved please ring Munira.



## Citizen's Advice Bureau

*Report from the SG Citizen's Advice Bureau, Bradley Stoke*

**JANUARY 2006 -  
DECEMBER 2006**

BSCA Outreach session is still running successfully on Wednesday mornings with one supervisor and one debt specialist advisor. The numbers of clients have been increasing and now average four per session for generalist advice and two appointments per session for specialist debt advice. On several occasions there have been as many as seven clients seen by the generalist advisor. No client has yet been turned away, but if the numbers continue to increase, we will need to look at the

possibility of having more than one generalist advisor. All Clients have been happy with the help and advice they have received and some have returned several times for more advice on different subjects. The number of new contacts we have had over the last 12 months is approximately 144 which is a good increase for one 2 hour session a week; the main enquiry areas have been: Employment, Benefits - including tax credits, Debt, Family/relationships, Consumer.

## Avon and Somerset Police

The last 6 months have seen changes in the policing team in Bradley Stoke.

PC Shaun Oliver has moved on to pastures new, he has just replaced by Pc Claire Bradbrook, who has been appointed to the post of Beat Manager. Police Community Support officer Jason Green has recently moved to the Bradley Stoke beat. The number of officers dedicated to Bradley Stoke will increase to one neighbourhood beat manager and three community support officers with the implementation of neighbourhood policing. Additional officers will increase gradually over the next twelve months.

One of the issues causing concern is anti social behaviour; although often this has been rowdy behaviour. Recently the area experienced youths targeting the ethnic minority community. Police and partners have been working extremely hard to combat this, targeting the ringleaders and dealing with them using criminal offences and early intervention strategies.

We have recently secured office space in Bradley Stoke School and will use this as a police post. This will enable our officers to spend more time in the community. We continue to run our beat surgeries and the dates are as follows:

26th March 2007 4.00 - 6.00 pm

The surgeries are held at Bradley Stoke Library, please come along and discuss any concerns.



PCSO 8608 Jason GREEN, Filton Police Station

## Friends of Bradley Stoke Surgery

A meeting was held with a group of people interested in helping Bradley Stoke Surgery, by raising funds to improve the quality of the experience for people attending the surgery. One of their first targets is to raise funds for a defibrillator. They will be meeting to plan fund raising events, ring Corrina if you're interested in getting involved.



Asaad Alsiadi, Cllr Julian Barge, Dr Sophie Kilmartin, Dr Elizabeth Todd and Dr Norman Douglas with one of the promotional raffle tickets used to raise funds for the Defibrillator.

By the time that this Newsletter is distributed enough funds will have been raised to purchase this life saving piece of equipment.

## Local Racism

There is some concern in the area about the number of racist incidents, and attacks on people from different countries. As an organization, we are committed to developing a community which is tolerant and welcomes everybody. We want a community where we can all feel safe to live and work. In January we will be working with the town council to set up a community safety partnership. So watch out for posters around the town with more details.

## SBCP AGM

We held the SBCP AGM in November and it was great to have all the staff and management committee together. We are a registered charity, managed by volunteers representing different groups and residents in the town. We continue to welcome new members to the committee. If you're interested in getting

involved, we'd love to hear from you. For information about anything above, or if you have an idea for a new group or activity in the town and would like help in getting started, ring Julie on 01454 868570 or Corrina on 01454 867076. Together we can make a difference. Julie Snelling SBCP

## Walking for Health

Walking to Health is a national initiative supported by the Countryside Agency and British Heart Foundation aiming to motivate people to get more physically active via walking. South Gloucestershire's Walking to Health scheme has been running successfully for the past three years within Kingswood and surrounding areas, and I'm pleased to report that the new Filton, Bradley Stoke and Patchway initiative is enjoying the same success. Look out for the posters on the Town Council notice boards and on their web site for details of the local walks throughout the year.

By Katie Reid





# 2007 Events

## International Women's Day

7 March 2007 - 'Women of the World'  
Bradley Stoke Jubilee Activity Centre

Following the successful event last year, we are delighted that Bradley Stoke Town Council has agreed to host another celebration in 2007. The event has the theme of "Women of the World" which we hope will provide a range of activities and information. A provisional timetable is as below:

The day time activities will be open to the public for registration from 9.30am and will close at 3pm. This year we are asking women to book and have restricted the numbers to 150, following last years overwhelming success. A flexible pavilion has been organised to provide additional space and this will open out from the Oak Hall;

this will become a Pamper Zone, with lots of advice and information and treatments. A crèche will be provided for those in need. A publicity leaflet/booking form is currently being designed and will be ready for distribution in late January 2007.

The doors will open for the evening event at 7pm, when Bradley Stoke Community School Band will play until the official opening at 7.15pm. The event finishes at 9.30 pm. During the evening we have a varied programme of song, dance and women talking about their experience of living in other countries. Light refreshments will be available. The draft programme is as shown beneath.

## Evening Programme

Compered by Kizzy Morell,  
Star Radio Presenter

**6.45pm to 7.10pm** Arrivals, Light refreshments and music by the Bradley Stoke Community School Band

**7.15pm** Ronnie Conway-Haskins, Mayor, welcome to the evening and life in Australia and Papeete, Tahiti

**7.25pm** Chinese Choir

**7.40pm** Women of the World Ikraam, Hetal, Munira, Seemin and Win will talk about their experiences and answer questions.

**8.20pm** Break

**8.40pm** Music & songs

**9.00pm** Classical Indian Dance by Bradley Stoke resident Rivi

**9.20pm** Local singers Alicia & Jess

## Junior sports coaching training

For young people 11-14. Learn how to help others play your favourite sport. It involves sports, warm up exercises food and so much more  
Saturday 3rd 10-4pm and Monday 5th March 5-7pm @ the Jubilee Centre Savages Wood Rd Cost of course £5.

## Baby sitting course

First aid, child development, safety in the home, meet friends.

Thursday 15th Feb 7-9, Thursday 22nd, Friday 23rd 10-4pm, Thursday 1st and 8th March 7-9 @ the Jubilee centre Savages Wood Rd visit to the Create Centre Tue 20th February 10-3pm Cost of Course £5

For further information about any of the above please contact Ruth on 01454 868570. Or [ruthcornish@sbcommunitypartnrship.org.uk](mailto:ruthcornish@sbcommunitypartnrship.org.uk)

Ruth Cornish. BSJD - SBCEP

## Daytime Programme

	Acorn Room	Ash Room	Beech Room	Cedar Room	Oak Hall	Flexible Pavilion	Foyer
9.30am	9.30 start for registration & crèche arrangements (Events & the Crèche must be booked before the event - see booking forms)						
10.00am	Crèche	Assertiveness. First session	Citizen's Advice Bureau	Food Demonstrations - presented in the form of displays so there is no need to book, just look in. We hope to include the following but this is subject to change. Meringues Indian Food Breast Feeding	Pilates	Indian Head Massage	Displays including Women's Institute, Local History, City of Bristol College, Flexible Training Partners, Walking to Health, Smoking Cessation, Exercise on Prescription, Information Advice & Guidance, Child- ren's Information Service, South Glos Library Information Service.
11.00am	Crèche	Assertiveness Second session	Citizen's Advice Bureau		Indian Dance	Image Workshop	
12.15pm	Lunch						
1.30pm	Crèche	Public Speaking & Business Women Networks	French Language Taster	Cheese making demonstration  Breast Feeding	Learning through play  Language through play	Hair demonstration & treatments  Reiki	Information on the effects of smoking, sun safety, active for life, Southern Brooks Community Partnership
2.30 to 3pm	Tea & Evaluation						

## Bradley Stoke Small Business Forum

If you are self employed or run a small business in the Bradley Stoke area you might be interested in a new venture called the Bradley Stoke Small Business Forum.

The idea behind the forum is that it will provide a meeting space for both existing and fledgling businesses in the Town.

It is hoped the group will

- Provide mutual support for it's members
- Be a place to share ideas and experiences
- Provide access to advice and specialist expertise
- Be a 'voice' for the business community in the town
- Establish links with community groups and initiatives

**Why not come along to the group's launch meeting?**

**Monday 19th of February 2007**

**At 5.30pm**

**At the Pitman Training Centre, Bradley Pavilions, Pear Tree Road, Bradley Stoke**

The idea for the group came from local resident Nick Wood who owns Confidential Counselling a Counselling and Psychotherapy service that rents rooms at the Bradley Stoke Community School.

Nick writes

*'having started my own small business over the last few years I have learnt a whole new set of skills and it has sometimes been a hard slog. There is help available but I also feel it would be great to share ideas and experiences with other local business people. Clubbing together might help us to pool resources, provide a marketing platform and, who knows even put something back into the community we serve.'*

If you run any type of business and would like to find out more or have any ideas on how the forum could benefit your business, please contact Nick at [nick4info@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:nick4info@yahoo.co.uk)

## Events

**9 February, 16th March, 13th April, 11th May, 8th June, 13th July, 10th August, 14th September, 28th September - Worlds Biggest Coffee Morning, 12th October, 9th November. 14th December- Christmas Fair**

### COFFEE MORNINGS

Coffee morning dates from February 2007 onwards:

Other coffee mornings will be themed throughout the year - look for notices on the Town Council Notice boards, on the web site and in other places, such as the Library. It is also hoped to start a local produce market in 2007.

**7th March**

**WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL DAY**  
**Bradley Stoke Jubilee Centre**

**5th April**

**EASTER EGG HUNT**  
**Brook Way Activity Centre**

**8th-10th June**

**BRADLEY STOKES COMMUNITY FESTIVAL**

## Further Information

### Members Of Parliament

Dr. Doug Naysmith MP (Lab) covers the southern part of Bradley Stoke and may be contacted at Unit 7, Greenway Business Centre, Doncaster Road, Southmead, Bristol BS10 5PY or tel: 0117 950 2385, Fax: 0117 950 5302.

Mr. Steve Webb MP (Lib Dem) covers the northern part of Bradley Stoke and may be contacted at Poole Court, Poole Court Drive, Yate, Bristol BS37 5PP, or tel: 01454 322100.

### Bradley Stoke Town Council

Bradley Stoke Town Council came into being on 1 April 1992. There are some 13,755 on the current Register of Electors and 15 elected Councillors in five Wards. Four Town Councillors are also Members of South Gloucestershire Council. Councillor Jo Byron is one

of our representatives for the South Gloucestershire Council Ward of Baileys Court, but does not sit on the Town Council.

### Councillors

John Ashe, Ronnie Conway-Haskins (Chair), Julian Barge, Dr David Gladstone, Adam Haskins, Sandra Hobson (Vice Chair), Robert Jones, David Pickwell, John Samways, Karen Sanders, Geoffrey Stobbart, Heather Williams, Jon Williams, 2 Vacancies

### Meetings

As well as Full Council, there are Standing Committees for Planning, Environment & Amenities and Finance & Leisure. All Council and Standing Committee meetings are open to the public and the

### Academic Year

**2006/7**

**Term 3:** 3 Jan – 16 Feb

**Term 4:** 26 Feb – 4 April

**Term 5:** 19 April – 25 May

**Term 6:** 4 June – 25 July

**2007/8**

**Term 1:** 3 Sept – 19 Oct

**Term 2:** 31 Oct – 19 Dec

**Term 3:** 3 Jan – 15 Feb (08)

**Term 4:** 25 Feb – 4 April

**Term 5:** 21 April – 23 May

**Term 6:** 2 June – 25 July

### ChildLine

ChildLine is the free 24-hour helpline for children and young people in the UK. Children and young people can call the helpline on **0800 1111** about any problem, at any time day or night.

### Blood Doning

**Brook Way Activity Centre**

Session Times  
13.30-15.15 & 17.00-19.15

**2007**

9th March, 20th April, 25th May,  
15th June, 27th July, 17th August,  
5th October, 16th November,  
7th December

**2008**

4th January

### Beat Manager Drop In Surgery

**Bradley Stoke Library:**  
26th March 4pm-6pm.

## Useful Telephone Numbers

South Gloucestershire Council  
Services Main Switchboard  
Number:

**01454 868009**

Bradley Stoke Leisure Centre  
**01454 867080**

Bradley Stoke Library  
**01454 868006**

Dog Warden  
**01454 868000**

Education - General Enquiries  
**01454 868008**

Travellers  
**01454 861598**

Trading Standards  
**01454 868001**

The nearest SORT IT!\* Centre  
(Civic Amenity Site) to Bradley  
Stoke is at Station Road, Little Stoke

### Opening Hours

**Monday to Friday**

Gates Open 8.00am  
Gates Closed 4.15pm

**Saturday & Bank Holidays**

Gates Open 8.00am  
Gates Closed 4.00pm

**Sunday**

Gates Open 9.00am  
Gates Closed 1.00pm

### Directions

From the Aztec West roundabout travel south towards Bristol on the A38. When approaching the flyover filter left, and then turn left at the traffic lights into Gipsy Patch Lane. Shortly you pass under a narrow railway bridge - turn left immediately afterwards into Station Road. The SORT IT!\* site is half a mile ahead, on your right

South Glos Council's Streetcare and SORT IT! Helpdesk can be reached on 01454 868000. You will then be given a choice of numbers for the Council's services for Highways, Open Spaces, Street Lighting, Waste Services and Fly Tipping or email in on [streetcare@southglos.gov.uk](mailto:streetcare@southglos.gov.uk)

### Others

Filton Airfield Complaints Lines  
**0117 969 3831 & 0117 936 4595**  
(For any problems arising from the airfield)

Filton Police – Community Beat  
Office Direct Line  
**0117 945 4835**

Police Community Support Officer  
(Jason Green)  
**0779 5390262**

Pet search (Lost/Found Pets)  
**0117 949 2774**

Sofa Project  
(Furniture Recycling Charity)  
**0117 9543567**



The Town Council welcomes your comments and opinions.

Please make your views known via the Clerk. Correspondence for Council and Councillors may be sent to:

**David Chandler, Town Clerk, Bradley Stoke Town Council, 7 The Courtyard, Woodlands, Bradley Stoke, South Glos, BS32 4NQ**

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