### **Bradley Stoke Town Council**

# Vewsletter



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# **Bradley Stoke** gets a new council

By now the elections on 3 May will be a distant memory but they resulted in the most significant change in the history of the Town Council.

The Conservative Party took overall control after fifteen years of overall Liberal Democratic Control. The present Council comprises 13 Conservatives and two Liberal Democrats.

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### **Mayor's Charities**



Each year the newly elected mayor selects one or two charities to benefit from The Mayor's Fund.

This collects money from donations or special money-raising events held in the year - notably the Community Festival in June and the Fireworks display in November.

This year Councillor Julian Barge's chosen charities are the Bristol Urological Prostate Cancer Appeal and the Nicola Corry Support Fund. Nicola Corry was a resident of Bradley Stoke and died of a rare ovarian cancer in May 2005. The family created the support fund to help her fight the illness and have continued it after Nicola's death to help others in a similar situation. This fund became a fully registered charity in June 2006.

More information can be found on www.ncsf.org.uk.



### Your New Council

Although it would be impertinent to list the ages of Councillors, the Town Council must enjoy one of the youngest average ages of all Councils in the country. This appropriately reflects the young population of the town as a whole, where something in the order of 70% is under 40 years of age.

Councillor Julian Barge was elected Mayor and Chair of Council for the third time. Councillor Robert Jones was elected Vice-chair and Chair of the Finance and Leisure Committee, whilst Councillor Mark Forsyth was elected Chair of Planning, Environment and Amenities. Councillor Caroline Charlton was elected Press Spokesperson.

Most other councillors were elected to represent the town on a large number of other bodies and readers are recommended to consult the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting for 9 May 2007 on the Town Council website to see the full range of appointments.

Council is now working on its Strategic Business Plan in order to shape its activities over the next three or four years. This will encapsulate its vision for the future and be a fully costed programme of what it plans to achieve in that time for the good of the town. Council will be supporting moves towards the establishment of a sixth form at the Community School by September 2010, and be lobbying for improvements in the transport system.

### **Town Centre Update**

Residents will have noticed that work on the new Town Centre is well underway and it is hoped to see it completed by the end of 2008. There will be a muchenlarged Tesco with some twentyplus retail outlets to give Bradley Stoke the heart and focus it has needed for so long.

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### Ward Represented / Party Represented / Membership of Town Council Committees

Baileys Court SGC – Bradley Stoke South

Conservative Full Council

Finance & Leisure Planning, Environment & Amenities

Conservative Full Council Finance & Leisure

Planning, Environment & Amenities

Woodlands Conservative Chair/Mayor **Full Council** Finance & Leisure

Woodlands Conservative Full Council

Planning, Environment & Amenities

Meadowbank Conservative Press Spokesperson Full Council Finance & Leisure

Woodlands Liberal Democrat Full Council Finance & Leisure

Stoke Brook Conservative Full Council

Planning, Environment & Amenities

Primrose Bridge Conservative **Full Council** 

Planning, Environment & Amenities – Chair

Manor Farm Liberal Democrat Full Council

Primrose Bridge SGC – BS Central & Stoke Lodge Conservative Full Council

**Baileys Court** SGC – BS South Conservative Vice-Chair Full Council

Finance & Leisure

Finance & Leisure - Chair

Primrose Bridge SGC – BS Central & Stoke Lodge Conservative Full Council

Planning, Environment & Amenities Meadowbank

Conservative Conservative Finance & Leisure Planning, Environment & Amenities

Primrose Bridge Conservative Full Council Finance & Leisure

Lakeside Conservative

Planning, Environment & Amenities



### BBC Radio Bradley Stoke created for one day only

For one day only, on 20th September, Bradley Stoke is to have its very own radio station and the BBC is looking for residents to become reporters and presenters to tell their own stories and give their views about the town.

BBC Radio Bradley Stoke will take to the air for 12 hours as part of the town's twentieth birthday celebrations, and will be broadcast on BBC Radio Bristol's medium wave frequency 1548am.

BBC Radio Bristol's Assistant Editor, Jason Dean, says: "We're really hoping to get under the skin of Bradley Stoke and the idea is to give everyone in the community a chance to have their say. We'd like to find out how the area has developed from a green field site 20 years ago and find out what life is really like there today.

"So, if you've got something to tell us about the area get in touch and help us provide a unique service of news, sport, weather and travel just for Bradley Stoke!"

If you have a story that you would like BBC Radio Bradley Stoke to cover or if you'd like to get involved yourself, before or on the day, you can email the producers at debra.hearne@bbc.co.uk or sally. heaven@bbc.co.uk or you can call our CSV Desk on 0845 900 7955.

The kind of content the BBC is looking for includes: Who are the people that make Bradley Stoke unique? What's really happening in the community? How could the town be made better? Have you lived there all your life and seen it develop? Is your community group really making a difference to people's lives? Light hearted or serious, you may know of someone or something in Bradley Stoke that would make a really great item on the radio. They may even be able to train you to make the report yourself!

Put simply, they are keen to hear from you, the residents of Bradley Stoke, about what is important to you. For further information contact: Mary Picken, BBC Press Office on 0117 974 2109

### School Successes

Darren Stanley and Dave Baker are to be congratulated on being recognized in this year's regional teaching awards.

Mr Dave Baker is to be congratulated on coming joint second in the Headteacher of the year competition. To have received this award after only three years in post is a fine achievement. We look forward to a long and fruitful association between the school and the Town Council.

In September 2007 there will be 570+ students in years 7, 8 and 9 and 75+ staff. There has been an overwhelming interest from the community in using the school's facilities out of hours, especially the sports accommodation. The school has also received the Healthy Schools Award and the Sportsmark award, based on the numbers of students

participating in sporting activities. Discussions are ongoing about sharing some provision within the 'Concorde Partnership', with The Castle and Marlwood Schools in Thornbury now joining the existing partnership of Bradley Stoke Community School, Filton High School, Patchway Community College and Filton College.

Mr Darren Stanley, deputy head at Holy Trinity Primary School, won the Primary Teacher of the Year award. For two teachers in Bradley Stoke to receive such prestigious awards is a very gratifying achievement for the Town and its schools.

### Macmillan Cancer Appeal

There will be an additional coffee morning at Brook Way Activity Centre on Friday 28 September in support of the Macmillan Cancer appeal. There will be no craft or local produce stalls on this particular occasion (as it is not the second Friday) and, as in previous years, all funds raised will go to support this worthy cause. Please come and support it.

### **History** in the making

Corrina Wood from the Southern Brooks Community Partnership has been working with a group of people interested in the local history of the town. They meet monthly after the coffee morning and were able to mount a fascinating exhibition in the Library that ran throughout the month of June, showing — mainly with the aid of photographs and maps — just how the town has developed from 1,000 acres of green fields to the present day with some 8,500 houses and a population in excess of 20,000. Contact Corrina on 01454 867076 if you would like to join this group either to contribute from your own knowledge or to learn more about our history — or both.



### Bradley Stoke Skate Festival

The day (16 June) threatened rain but settled into a lovely sunny day with music, BBQ and a skate competition. The atmosphere was very relaxed and enjoyable. As always, it was a community event with the young people helping to plan and run the day. One young man – Keith – helped with putting up the gazebo and with the BBQ for most of the day. Thanks to the efforts of Lloyd Starr we had six bands performing which included

Sick Wax, Sloppy Joes and Baby Beat Box. The bands help to create a real festival atmosphere.

Motion came up with their international team of BMX to judge the event and the team was well received by the young people. At the time of writing we are hopeful that they will return to the park on 20 August to share the last of our planned summer BBQs.



The Fifth Community Festival in June was a resounding success to commemorate the twentieth anniversary of the town. In co-operation with Southern Brooks Community Development Partnership, the Town Council organized events that brought together community groups, craft and information stalls.

There was a fun run, a "walk to health" over five kilometres and a toddler trot of one kilometre. There was a nature trail through the Three Brooks Local Nature Reserve and a general celebration of Bradley Stoke's cultural diversity. The innovation of an arena in which a whole range of professional talents could be displayed proved one of the main attractions and we are grateful to all who took part on what was one of the sunniest and hottest weekends of the year. On the assumption that a picture is worth a thousand words, have a look at our web site www.bradleystoke.gov.uk where a cornucopia of illustrations can be viewed.

# Activity at Baileys Court

Exciting things are happening at Baileys Court Activity Centre where a whole new building is being added to the existing pavilion. Work began in May and by mid-November there will be a brand new set of rooms that will relieve pressure on the existing rooms – especially during the summer when bowls and cricket are in full swing. There will be some dedicated youth space to replace The Green Hut that has done sterling service since April 2000 when it was transferred from Savages Wood Road where it had served as a temporary Library. There will be additional multi-purpose meeting rooms for hire by residents and the whole will greatly enhance the Town Council's facilities at the southern end of the town. Councillor Julian Barge commented, "It is so fitting this should occur in the town's anniversary year, demonstrating the Town Council's continuing commitment and work for the good of the residents."

# South Gloucestershire in 2026 - your chance to influence your area's future

If you are a resident of South Gloucestershire you are invited to help the Unitary Authority plan your area's future by completing The Core Strategy Residents' Questionnaire.

You can complete the questionnaire on-line at www.consultation.southglos. gov.uk, or obtain a paper copy (returnable by FREEPOST) from the Council's one stop shops, the Spatial Planning Team (01454 863470), or from Libraries, Leisure and Sports Centres.

# Southern **Brooks Community Partnership**



From Julie Snelling

We've had a busy few months with lots of exciting things happening. In May, 18 people finished an Introduction to Community Development Work course in Bradley Stoke, and one of the participants has gone on to be employed as a Community Development Worker in the town. Feedback from those that took part was really positive and we'll be running another course in the autumn. Also we hope to run an Introduction to Childcare course, please let us know if you're interested.

Stacy Harvey has left the project and been replaced by Bradley Stoke resident Winsome Barrett Muir. Winsome has been focusing on restarting a group for young mums in the town. Our Family Support workers are currently supporting 27 families, and we have been running a "Schools Link" project, helping children and their families referred by local schools. After school clubs which have been a chance for children to take part in fun activities have been running throughout the year.

We've recently received a significant grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund for a project called "Living Landmarks". The aim of the project is to bring together children and young people in Bradley Stoke and Patchway to learn about the local history of the area and create permanent landmarks. Caroline Creamer has been appointed as Project Co-ordinator. If you'd like to get involved give her a call

During the spring we've been working with the Police and the Town Council, at the invitation of South Gloucestershire Council, to set up a Stronger and Safer Community Group in Bradley Stoke. The town is lucky enough to have very little crime, and the aim of this group is to facilitate action that ensures a safer and stronger community. Together with residents and agencies working in the town we will work to promote pride in the community as a safe, thriving and pleasant place to live, work and play. Safer and Stronger groups already exist in neighbouring towns. It's not yet clear whether the Bradley Stoke group will have a

budget, but it will be an opportunity to bring people together to work in partnership to improve the quality of life for local people. It will also help meet the objectives of the police Partnership and Community Together (PACT) Neighbourhood Policing requirements by supporting and co-ordinating local initiatives that lead to a reduction in crime and disorder. We are planning an open residents meeting in October, but please contact Julie if you would like more information

Southern Brooks Community Partnership were really pleased to be part of the celebrations for International Women's Day 2007, sponsored by Bradley Stoke Town Council. Over 200 women attended the event during the day, enjoying the many varied activities that were on offer. During the evening we had a celebration of "Women of the World" and volunteers that have moved into this area from across the world came to share their stories, along with some long-time residents. We also enjoyed music and dance from across the world and were grateful to Kizzy Morrell for being the compere for the evening. Plans for 2008 are well under way and if you'd like to be involved, contact Julie or Corrina.

We are holding our Annual General Meeting on Thursday 1 November at Bradley Stoke Community School from 7 – 9 pm and warmly invite you to come along. During the past 12 months we have been involved in several projects that have brought the community together, to foster understanding and tolerance between different age groups and

### STOP PRESS

First Stronger & Safer Community residents meeting for Bradley Stoke

Thursday 18 October 7.30 - 9.30, **Bradley Stoke Community School** 

- ▶ Head of Communities, Pauline Hawker-Bond will tell us how the new groups will make a difference across South Gloucestershire
- ► Sat Clive Johnson will talk about Neighbourhood Policing in **Bradley Stoke**
- ► A chance to meet your local Bradley Stoke Town councillors and discuss priorities for change in the town

Please try to come along. It's really important the Stronger & Safer group know what's important to local people – it's your town and together we can make a difference!

people from different ethnic backgrounds. Dave Baker, head teacher, will give a short talk on the role of the school in developing international links. There will be the chance to see for you some for the work we've been doing this year, through DVDs and

Southern Brooks Community Partnership presentations and to find out more about the Living Landmarks project

As a registered charity, we always welcome new Trustees and this year we are particularly keen to broaden the representation of all of the community on the Board by recruiting some younger trustees (over the age of 18) and people from different BME groups. Trustees meet at least 4 times a year, always during the evening, and annually have an away day with the management team to make sure we're still meeting the needs of the community. We have a large staff team and the role of our trustees is to ensure that we are providing value for money, fulfil our commitments to funders and the Charity Commission and meet the needs of the community. Trustees are volunteers. We can provide training and support, the chance to work as part of a team and the opportunity to know that you are making a difference in your local community. If you are interested in learning more about becoming a trustee, please contact Julie Snelling for an application pack on 01454 868570.

"Building Community Spirit" remains at our core, and if anyone wants support with an existing group, help in setting up a new group or with funding applications, please contact us.

For more information about our work, see our website at www.sbcommunitypartnership.org.uk

## **Bradley Stoke** Playscheme

The summer Playscheme – part funded by the Town Council – has again been a huge success in Bradley Stoke. Numbers have ranged between 30 and 50 and the children have participated in a wide range of activities. One of the themes has been wild animals and the children have undertaken craft work such as making safari hats and animal masks in preparation for a much anticipated visit from Bristol Zoo.

### **Bradley Stoke Surgery**

The South Gloucestershire Primary Care Trust (PCT) has at last agreed to the surgery building bigger and better medical facilities for Bradley Stoke in a large extension on the back of the Bradley Stoke Surgery. As plans for the Savages Wood Road site fell through, Dr Todd put in an application for funding the expansion of the existing surgery – something residents have been clamouring for over many years. Dr Todd has been trying to gain permission and obtain funds for better medical facilities since 1991 but the PCT would not allow it until now.

Dr Todd put in a detailed and ambitious business plan for the surgery expansion and competed against many other surgeries for permission and topped the list as being the most needy. At only 300 square metres in size the original surgery was for only 5000 patients and three partners. As the surgery now cares for 14,500 patients and eight doctors work there, it is obvious the seams are bursting; but the care of patients has always been the priority despite the difficult circumstances the doctors and nurses have been working in.

The proposed expansion is for a building four times the size of the present surgery. This will house many medical and para-medical facilities to provide a comprehensive care base for residents of Bradley Stoke. The campaign has been long and hard and there are still many challenges to overcome, but it is hoped a wonderful new facility will be up and running by 2009/10.



### **Fireworks**

The annual Town firework display will take place at the Jubilee Centre on Sunday 4 November.

The grounds will be open from 4.30pm and ignition is expected at 6.00pm. Instead of an entry fee there will be an entry point collection in aid of the Mayor's Charities — the Urological Prostate Cancer Appeal and the Nicola Corry Support Fund. Hot food will be available to buy from 4.30pm from the Bristol Aztec Rotary Club and Oasis Moorish Foods and all proceeds from this will also go to charities. Because of its size there will be no parking at the site; residents are urged to walk there, or to park in the Tesco car park and walk from there. For insurance and health and safety reasons, no alcohol or personal fireworks of any sort are allowed on site. Kimbolton Fireworks will again be providing the display so we are assured of a spectacular event. Do come and enjoy!

### Coffee, Crafts, Cakes and Carrots

A monthly coffee morning was inaugurated in January and has been increasingly popular ever since.

The mornings are at Brook Way Activity Centre on the second Friday of each month from 9.00am to about 1.00pm. In addition, each month a different craft activity is featured that visitors can try for themselves under expert guidance. In June a local produce market was added to this event

and has also gone from strength to strength. The market offers a wide range of vegetables, meat and plants, cakes, books and jewelry. Our thanks go to Karen Chandler, a volunteer who works closely with Sue Clark from the Council office, and who between them have made this event so successful.



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### **Community Policing**

From PC Claire Bradbrook

I'm pleased to inform you that since the last newsletter the Bradley Stoke Neighbourhood policing team has increased in numbers with the arrival of PCSO Pat Gardener.

Pat joins PCSO Jason Green and Police Constable Claire Bradbrook.

The team is still growing with the additional recruitment of two special constables who will be joining the Bradley Stoke team very soon.

The PCSO's main form of transport is their feet so hopefully seeing them walking the beat will very reassuring to local residents and businesses alike.

The additional staff will give Bradley Stoke a more visual policing cover during busy periods and allow us all to work on new projects and initiatives within the beat.

Our "Beat Post" at the Community School is

now up and running, meaning we can catch up on any enquires and paperwork whilst still on the beat and forge relationships with the young people attending the school.

We are also very keen to educate young people about the consequences of getting involved in crime so the team have been working together with local schools and youth workers on a number of projects including a schools education package, driving awareness courses and crime prevention days.

The team has also been involved in the successful execution of Misuse of Drugs warrants within Bradley Stoke.

All this is in conjunction with our every day policing duties including policing the dispersal zones, setting up local "safer, stronger groups" and helping reduce and detect crime within Bradley Stoke.

### Beat the Scammers

Consumers now have another tool to help them identify potential scams that land on their doormats every day. £350 million is lost each year to these scams, according to research undertaken by the Office of Fair Trading recently. This latest tool is a series of interactive scam guides designed to highlight the tricks scammers use to lure their victims.

There are three interactive guides available – a prize draw notification, a bogus lottery mailing and a fake clairvoyant letter. Each guide contains 'pop up' text highlighting the

tricks used to convince people the letters are genuine. People receiving unsolicited mail can now check them for the kinds of tricks explained in the guides, or use them to show relatives and friends what to watch out for.

The interactive scam guides can now be found at http://www.oft.gov.uk/oft\_at\_work/consumer initiative/scams/scam-letters.

Consumers wanting further advice on scams, or to request Scamwise leaflets and door stickers, can contact Consumer Direct on 08454 04 05 06.

### **Email Scams**

Trading Standards would like to remind consumers to be vigilant when using the internet. The World Wide Web has provided scammers with yet another means of contacting consumers with the aim of extorting money or personal details from them. Some of the scams are new and others are old ones given a new twist for the internet.

"Phishing" is an example of one scam experienced by a resident of South Gloucestershire recently. An email was received from an established bank, asking the recipient to confirm his online banking details. If the recipient had followed the link and instructions given, it is likely the scammers would have used these details to empty his account.

Real banks do not contact people in this way. If you receive an email purportedly from your bank asking for account or log in details, please report it to your bank immediately.

This is just one example of the many internet and emails scams.

To help avoid falling victim follow these simple guidelines:

- ► Ensure your spam filters are enabled;
- ► Think carefully before opening emails from people you don't know, especially if it has an attachment as these can contain viruses;
- Delete all suspicious or dubious emails without opening them;
- ➤ Install firewalls and anti-virus software on your computer and keep it up to date.

For further advice on internet and email scams, or if you would like to request the Scamwise leaflets and door sticker, please contact Consumer Direct on **08454 04 05 06**.

### Digital TV Signal Switchover

- Advice

In 2009, the analogue television signal will be switched off in the South West. Although South Gloucestershire Trading Standards has received no reports of any associated scams, we are aware that this situation may be confusing to some consumers and there is always the possibility that rogue traders will attempt to exploit this for their own benefit.

For example, they may try to convince residents that to watch TV after the switchover they require more equipment, or more expensive equipment than they actually need.

To watch the many 'freeview' digital television channels, most households will not need a new aerial but you will need to buy a set top box, which is plugged in between the aerial and TV. These are now widely available with prices starting at under £30. There are other ways of receiving 'freeview' digital television programmes, for example, by buying a new television with a digital tuner already built in (often called an Integrated Digital TV or iDTV).

Householders can also pay for a satellite or cable TV subscription service. Various subscription packages are available but we advise to check for the latest offers as many companies offer discounts. Look out for any additional fees in the small print such as installation charges, and be aware that you may be bound to take these services from that supplier for a minimum period of time, e.g. 12 months.

For further information go to www.digitaltelevision.gov.uk or www.digitaluk.co.uk or call 08456 50 50 50.



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LOCAL PRODUCE MARKET & COFFEE MORNINGS

Brook Way Activity Centre 9am-1pm

#### Friday 28 September 2007

JOIN IN THE WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING FOR MACMILLAN CANCER

### Friday 10 October 2007

CATS PROTECTION LEAGUE

### Friday 9 November 2007

CHOCOLATE HEAVEN/ CHRISTMAS SWEETS

### Friday 14 December 2007

CHRISTMAS FAIR WITH FATHER CHRISTMAS

#### Friday 11 January 2008

**NEW YEAR- NEW YOU!** 

### February 8 2008

THEME TO BE DECIDED\*

### March 7 2008

THEME TO BE DECIDED\*

\*Suggestions welcomed

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT CORRINA ON 01454 867076 OR BRADLEY STOKE TOWN COUNCIL ON 01454 868080

### Sunday 4 November 2007

FIREWORKS HELD AT THE BRADLEY STOKE JUBILEE CENTRE GATES OPEN 4.40PM

#### Academic Year

#### 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

#### 2008/9

Term 1: 3 Sept – 24 Oct Term 2: 5 Nov – 19 Dec

Term 3: 5 Jan – 13 Feb
Term 4: 23 Feb – 3 April

Term 5: 20 April – 22 May Term 6: 1 June – 24 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**

#### The Bradley Stoke Jubilee Centre

Session Times

### 13.30-15.30 & 17.0-19.15

#### 2007

5 October, 16 November, 7 December

#### 2008

4 January, 25 January, 29 February, 14 March,18 April

### **Beat Manager Drop In Surgery**

### Brook Way Activity Centre 10-11am

Tuesday 23 October

Tuesday 20 November

Tuesday 11 December

### 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 B510 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 14,019 on the current Register of Electors and 15 elected Councillors in seven Wards. Four Town Councillors are also Members of South Gloucestershire Council. Councillor Jon Williams is one

of our representatives for the South Gloucestershire Council Ward of Bradley Stoke North, but does not sit on the Town Council.

### Councillors

John Ashe, Roger Avenin, Julian Barge (Chair) Morgan Baynham, Caroline Charlton, Ronnie Conway-Haskins, Keith Cranney, Mark Forsyth, Sandra Hobson, Brian Hopkinson, Robert Jones (Vice Chair) Sarah Pomfret, David Skeet, Dr. Elizabeth Todd, Benjamin Walker

### 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 press. At any of these meetings electors

of the Parish may ask questions during public question time. Times of meetings are posted on Council's notice boards.

### **Grant Aid**

Bradley Stoke Town Council has allocated a sum of money each year for grant aid to be awarded for small projects that benefit the local community (maximum grant is £400.00). All applications are considered on their merits. Application forms may be obtained from the BSTC Office.

### **Councillor Surgeries**

Councillor Surgeries are held on the first Saturday of each month between 10.00am & 12 noon at Bradley Stoke Leisure Centre for community residents to speak to their Councillors on any matter concerning the town.

# 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

Education - General Enquiries 01454 868008

Travellers

01454 864299

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 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

### 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

Police Community Support Officer (Jason Green)
0779 5390262

Pet search (Lost/Found Pets)

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:

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