**Bradley Stoke Town Council** 

# Newsletter



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COMMUNITY

### Message From Ben Walker - Mayor

I am honoured to be elected by the members of Bradley Stoke Council to serve as Mayor, following my year as Vice Chair to the Council and Chair of the Finance & Leisure committee. I look forward to all the challenges ahead and with the help of the council members, who offer up so much of their time to operate our council, we continue to help maintain and build the exceptional community that now exists within Bradley Stoke.

I am passionate about our council supporting the community in any way it can, so as a council, we are always looking for ways to improve and engage with the Bradley Stoke populous; so I ask that any group or individual wishing to do so, contact the office or attend one of our meetings, where we will be more than happy to assist.

My chosen charity for this year is the St Peters Hospice based in North Bristol. It's a very worthy cause, carrying out incredible work for the city and surrounding areas. As we all know, the past couple of years have been extremely difficult for us all, none more so than charities like the hospice who depend on donations. May I ask that you support my charity as much or as little as you can, by way of donation at any of the councils events over the next year, to help the hospice continue the fantastic work they do.

Kind regards

Ben Walker Mayor, Bradley Stoke



#### **About St Peters Hospice**

St Peters Hospice is Bristol's Hospice. They care for people with incurable illnesses and provide support to their families across Bristol and the greater Bristol areas. All of the patient services are free.

Their specialist palliative care is provided at the hospice in Brentry and within the community by the Community Nurse Specialists and Hospice Home Teams. Their professional care and support teams are all specialists in their own fields. Together, they provide an integrated holistic approach to caring to the patients needs.

St Peters Hospice believes that all treatments offered to patients should be appropriate for the individual patient, who can then make choices according to their own priorities. The care and treatments offered by the hospice will always aim to treat all aspects of the whole person; physical, social, psychological and spiritual.

To learn more about the Hospice visit www.stpetershospice.org

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#### New Job Roles at Bradley Stoke Town Council

There have been a couple of recent alterations to the job roles of Town Council staff. Following the retirement of the Deputy Clerk, Mrs Lesley Osborne, at the end of May 2010, Mr John Rendell has taken on the position of Deputy Clerk, combining it with his Activity Centres Manager role. Mr William Walton has been promoted to the position of Senior Leisure Assistant and will be assisting John Rendell in the day-to-day running of the three town council activity centres in Bradley Stoke.





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Bradley Stoke Town Council has a number of rooms available for party hire at The Jubilee Centre and the Baileys Court Activity Centre? Both Centres are the perfect party venue, with spacious areas that are ideal for accommodating entertainers, inside games or even a disco. The Multi-court at the Jubilee Centre allows for outdoor play – football, netball or tennis parties, with tea served inside in the room of your choice. Bouncy Castles are able to be accommodated outside the building (applicable to the Jubilee Centre only). We can even provide details of a local caterer for very



#### The Jubilee Centre, Savages Wood Road

#### Oak Hall - £41.40 for 2 hours - up to 60 children

A large, bright room with a semi sprung floor. Large patio doors lead out to a patio and the Jubilee Green. Ideal for disco and games/activities parties. Foyer, kitchen and food servery are available at a small extra cost.

#### Cedar (Ash and Beech) - £22.40 for 2 hours — up to 12 children (ring for prices on Ash and Beech)

Cedar is suitable for small parties or craft work parties using tables to work on. Next door are two smaller rooms (Ash and Beech) that are suitable for food to be laid out in.

#### Woodlands Suite - £39.80 for 2 hours - up to 25 children

Absolutely ideal for smaller children's parties, as it has dedicated junior toilets and a large kitchen. Doors open to a secure soft surface play area.

#### Multi-court - £15.80 for 1 hour

Suitable for five or six a-side football, netball or tennis parties or just hire for safe, secure outdoor play and general outdoor activity. Hire with any of the above for a fun party.



#### **Baileys Court Activity Centre, Baileys Court Road**

#### Apple Room - £29.40 for 2 hours – up to 25 children

The Apple Room is a lovely L shaped room, with space for tables and chairs to be set up separately leaving the main area for games and entertainment.

#### Cherry Room - £39.60 for 2 hours - up to 35 children

The Cherry Room is a very bright room, with an inclusive kitchen. It also has its own toilet, accessed from inside the room which has facilities for the disabled.

#### Apple/Cherry Combined - £83.60 for 2 hours – up to 70 children

Apple and Cherry can be opened up through the foyer to provide one large area for larger children's and family parties.

#### Orchard Room (only available between October and March) - £41.60 for 2 hours up to 50 children.

Ideal for discos and family parties, with access to kitchen facilites.

Have a look at the 360° virtual tour of both buildings and their rooms at www.bradleystoke.gov.uk - on the Activity Centres pages. For more information please ring 01454 864646 or email bookings@bradleystoke.gov.uk or write to: Bradley Stoke Town Council, 7 The Courtyard, Woodlands, Bradley Stoke South Glos BS32 4NQ. Prices correct as at September 2010, but may be revised at Council's discretion. Our prices will not increase with VAT change in January 2011 as Council has agreed to absorb the increase until 31st March 2011.



#### Friday 11 June

Jubilee Centre

The first day of the Festival saw the Picnic in the Park, with parents and young children attending to take refreshments and visit a wide range of stalls. The entertainment was provided by Prof Panic with his Big Top entertainment of juggling, circus skills and magic for the younger children. Steve Price, the Balloon Man, also provided his individual fun entertainment producing modelled balloons and displays.

#### Saturday 12th June

Jubilee Centre

The second day of the Festival started earlier this year at 11.30 with the England Football game taking place in the evening. 70 stallholders attended with a wide variety of stalls as well as a large number of catering and ice cream units. There was a variety of other entertainments on site, ranging from a climbing wall and road train, which transported people around the Festival site, along with local operations providing inflatables, quad bikes, carousel and tea cup rides and the popular Police Van.

A local Woodcarver demonstrated his skills by carving the second of three benches whilst people watched. The superb benches will be used to enhance the seating for local residents viewing the pond at Jubilee Green and the local wildlife area.

The musical entertainment was provided by a number of bands, headed up by the tribute band Abba Now, who were enjoyed along with local bands; The Echoes, PantZ, Uncle Buck and Smokestack Shakers.

Dance performances were provided by Annette's Dance Academy, Fahrenheit Dancers, Bollywood Dancers, Ballet Bristol, Arabian Nights Belly Dancers and Colourguard Dance and the superb King Edmunds School Acro-gymnastic group.

Local demonstrations were provided by Bradley Stoke Community School Samba Band, the Chinese Singers and Bowsland Green Gym Club. Other entertainment for the youth was provided by Kingswood Bus project who invited the youth of the area to make their own music, try different inflatable rides and also to provide an opportunity for local singers to perform.

On the football pitch side, a football tournament took place with over 200 children taking part and ex-professional Matt le Tissier attended, as the McDonalds Football Ambassador, signing autographs and talking to the children. The Aztec West Hotel donated bottles of water for the children taking part in the football tournament.

#### Sunday 13th June

Jubilee Centre & Baileys Court

A 10k Run (with about 450 runners) started from Jubilee Green on the Sunday organised by local charity group, Sole Sisters. The Youth Club organised a competition which took place at the local Skate Park At Baileys Court, a well-attended morning church service was held, followed by Teddy Bears Picnic.

This was followed by the cricket tournament featuring 6 teams, again including the Mayor's Maidens. The final was between Re-energized and Bradley Indians, but had to be rearranged as steady rain caused an early end to proceedings. The BBQ and entertainment was provided by the Bradley Stoke Cricket Club, and a short under 9's cricket match took place at 4.p.m during the tournament interval.

# BSTC Community Centres Annual Report - 2010

Two years have passed since the opening of the extension at Baileys Court and as hoped, the room usage has increased with a number of regular hirers, impressed with the facilities and booking long term. In addition the site is now home to two very successful sports clubs (Bradley Stoke Cricket & Bradley Stoke Bowls Clubs). Other hirers based at Baileys Court now include:

- South Glos Council (training and meetings)
- South Glos PCT (management course)
- CV9
- National Autistic Society
- The BSL Users Forum (sign language group)
- Exeter Deaf Academy
- Psychic (Free Spirit)
- Sole Sisters running club
- Jewellery sales
- Kids Club (after school club)
- Play Pitch pre school

In 2009, Bradley Stoke Town Council entered into a service agreement with South Gloucestershire Council to commission Southern Brooks Community Partnership to provide a youth service in Bradley Stoke. The Town Council decided to make Brook Way into a dedicated Youth Club (during weekday evenings) and this is currently being run by Youth Leader Steve Robertson and his team. They are doing a great job in running various activities and keeping the number of attendees high. It seems to be a very well organised and enjoyable club for the young people of Bradley Stoke to attend.

The town's Football Clubs (Bradley Stoke youth and Bradley Stoke adult) that reside at the Jubilee Centre (and the under 10's at Baileys Court) are thriving with members, and the league fixtures being played on the pitches have increased. There are now three adult teams that play on a Saturday and four different age groups that play on Sundays between the ages 12 and 16.

The new state-of-the-art play area on the Village Green has now been in use for one year and I feel that this offers the residents of Bradley Stoke something different to

the seven other more traditional play areas provided by the Town Council within the town. The "Friends of the Jubilee Green" group work tirelessly to keep improving the area as a whole, and I truly believe that the Village Green is now a lovely place for local families to enjoy.

The Jubilee Centre has several various sized rooms for hire for family parties, seminars, meetings etc. and currently has a variety of groups and clubs who hire facilities there on a regular basis. They include:

- Little Acorns
- Handprints
- Citizens Advice Bureaux
- South Glos PCT
- South Glos Chinese Association
- Bradley Stoke Womens Institute
- Willow Brook Townswomen's Guild
- 2nd Stoke Lodge Brownies
- Annette Carroll Dance Academy
- National Blood Service
- Jubilee Tots
- TJ'S Netball
- Bradley Stoke Netball
- Crossbow Netball

We now employ a Mobile Cleansing Operative who has been in post for over a year and his work has been exemplary. The Town Council rightly felt the need to employ our very own 'litter picker' to help keep the streets, pathways and hedgerows clean and tidy, and the way Mr Dave Dace has taken to the role is exceptional. This role is to run alongside the work that is already being carried out by the Streetcare Department of South Gloucestershire Council around

Finally, I would like to welcome Mr Steve Barton to the Leisure Assistant team and he will be based at the Jubilee Centre. Steve has also taken to his new role extremely well and is already using his labouring skills to their full by improving on the internal and external décor on site.

John Rendell, Community Centres Manager

TRADING STANDARDS

### Watch Out, Rogue Traders About!

Trading Standards would like to warn residents that ROGUE TRADERS are known to be operating within the district.

Instances have recently been reported in Yate, Bradley Stoke and the Alveston area. The cold callers are offering to repave driveways, paint roof tiles and repair fascias.

Examples of the tactics used include;

- Agreeing to do specific work and then refusing to, whilst not amending the price;
- Using false trading names;
- Refusing to acknowledge a consumer's wish to cancel;
- Changing payment terms to persuade the resident to continue with the contract;
- Using intimidating and aggressive practices to persuade residents to agree to contracts.

Be wary when dealing with cold callers – you don't know who you are dealing with!

If you think you have fallen victim to such practices, contact Consumer Direct on 08454 04 05 06.

# Combined Bradley Stoke Town Council & McDonalds Community Project – 29th September 2010



The Town Council were approached by Mark Pickering, Area Supervisor of McDonald's Bristol (including all the stores local to Bradley Stoke), about organising a combined Community Project. McDonalds were interested in developing the links they have already forged in Bradley Stoke (sponsoring Bradley Stoke Youth FC and supporting the last two year's Community Festival Football Competitions) by making Bradley Stoke the focus of their annual community project.



The hope for this year's project is to paint twelve bus shelters, plus cut-back & litter-pick the walkway between the footpath running from Bradley Stoke Way through to the lake in the conservation area.

McDonalds will be providing 10-12 staff, including grounds maintenance and a maintenance person. They will work alongside the Town Council's own staff to carry out the project.

Town Councillors visit Westminster in Campaign for faster Broadband

Bradley Stoke Town Councillors visited Westminster recently to step up the campaign for faster broadband connections in the Town. Town Mayor Cllr Ben Walker and Councillors John Ashe, Brian Hopkinson, Robert Jones and Sarah Pomfret attended a meeting at the Department for Culture, Media and Sport

with Communications Minister Ed Vaizey MP.

The meeting, which was organised by newly elected Filton and Bradley Stoke MP Jack Lopresti, was described by councillors as a success and the Minister has agreed to write to both BT and Virgin Media about the issue.

Town Mayor Cllr Ben Walker said:

"The meeting was very positive, the minister explained what the coalition government were doing about broadband nationwide and agreed to highlight the problems in Bradley Stoke in letters to both BT and Virgin."

Cllr Robert Jones added:

"This is a huge boost for our Broadband Campaign in Bradley Stoke, and we are extremely grateful to Jack (Lopresti MP) for arranging the meeting. We won't be giving up, we will keep campaigning till every house has access to a high speed connection."

The Town Council would be interested to hear from local residents with regard to the speeds of broadband connections across Bradley Stoke.



# Part-night Street Lighting Trial

Councils across the country have initiated schemes to switch off some street lighting at night to reduce carbon emissions, save energy and costs and reduce light pollution.

With a target to reduce its own carbon footprint by 3% each year, and street lighting contributing to approximately 20% of its carbon footprint last year, South Gloucestershire Council embarked on a pilot part-night light switch off last summer. The successful pilot project was undertaken in the parish of Charfield (with involvement from the local Parish Council). South Gloucestershire Council has also carried out a switch-off trial for the Ring Road with a selection of streetlights along the length of the Avon Ring Road being switched off for a 4.25 hour period between midnight and 5am. By switching off just 350 of the 1000 streetlights along the Ring Road for a few hours a night, carbon emissions could be slashed by as much as 76 tonnes per annum while reducing the costs by £12,000 per annum.

The scheme is now being extended to a number of other towns and villages throughout South Gloucestershire. Before a scheme is introduced in any area, full consultation will be carried out with the local town or parish council, police, fire brigade and other partners. Only when there is agreement between all organisations involved, will the area be considered to take part in the trial. Once the trial has commenced in an area, a monitoring system will be put in place and if there are any issues, then the streetlights would be simply switched back on.

Bradley Stoke Town Council has expressed an interest in signing-up to the scheme and has now met with South Gloucestershire Council and other partners in early September. Once the scheme has been drawn up, it will be presented to residents of Bradley Stoke to enable their views to be considered. Town Councillors are interested in hearing residents views on the proposals and comments can be left at any of the Activity Centres (Brook Way, Baileys Court and the Jubilee Centre) or the Town Council office. Alternatively, further information is also available on the Town Council website (www. bradleystoke.gov.uk) and comments can be left there. Alternatively, please complete and return the feedback form in the newsletter.

Bradley Stoke Town Council is holding a Public Drop-in Session on Saturday 4th December 2010 between 10 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. at The Jubilee Centre, Savages Wood Road, Bradley Stoke, BS32 8HL, where full proposals will be on display.

## Criteria for the Part Night Operation of Street Lighting – South Gloucestershire

In support of the Council's carbon reduction initiative, the option is now available for Parish and Town Councils in consultation with the residents to implement a part night initiative, whereby some existing street lights will be converted from all night operation to part night operation. Switching times are approximately off at midnight GMT and back on 5:00 GMT.

The benefits of these conversions are two-fold: a) reduced carbon emissions and b) reduced energy cost. It is estimated that for each individual street light conversion there will be a reduction of 40% in both carbon emissions and energy cost.

In each area where there is agreement to proceed with these conversions it will be necessary to identify street lights that are to remain operating all night, and those that can be viably included in the part night initiative. These streetlights will be identified using the criteria set out below and, in addition, through consultation with the Parish or Town Council and the Police and Safer South Gloucestershire as well as other relevant sections such as road safety.

Criteria for part night switching of streetlights will be assessed as follows:

- Principal Routes where appropriate, except within:
  - Bends with a radius of less than value below, and/ or
  - Approach distances to roundabouts and major junctions set out below.

Road Speed Mph	30	40	50	60	70
Min lighting distance to R/A or Jct	70m	120m	160m	215m	295m
Minimum radius	180m	360m	510m	720m	1020m

- Locations without a significant road traffic night-time injury accident record.
- Areas without a significant record of crime.
- Areas provided with CCTV local authority/police surveillance equipment reliant on street lighting will not be included.
- Areas with sheltered housing and other residences accommodating vulnerable people will not be included.
- Areas with 24hr operational emergency services sites including hospitals will not be included.
- Pedestrian crossings, subways, enclosed footpaths and alleyways will not be included.
- Where there are potential hazards on the highway (e.g. round-a-bouts, central carriageway islands, build-outs, speed-humps) will remain lit.

A monitoring system will be set up that will compare the "before and after" recorded crime figures for each area.

The Street Lighting Team recognise that "fine tuning" may be required following any conversion work and requests for the reinstatement of individual streetlights to all night operation will be considered by the Parish or Town Council on their merits.

Please refer to the Bradley Stoke Town Council website for further details including a map - www.bradleystoke.gov.uk



## **Public Consultation**

#### **Part-Night Street Lighting Consultation**

Bradley Stoke Town Council is seeking views of residents on proposals to introduce part-night street lighting in the town. This public consultation is the most important part of the project and the Town Council hope that people will take the time to look at the proposals and make their views known. It is hoped that residents of Bradley Stoke will support a scheme which will help the environment and save money.

	Please enter your postcode in the space opposite so that the Town Council has a clear picture where the replies are coming from. Please note that these details will not be retained on any databas and will not be used in the future for any purposes other than then part night lighting consultation.			
A. I support the draft proposals and do not have any suggested amendments.				
Yes No	Please tick the relevent box.			
B. I support the	draft proposals in general, but would like to suggest amendments			
Yes No	Please tick the relevent box.			
C. I do not supp	ort the proposals because:			
Yes No	Please tick the relevent box.			
D. Any other	comments which do not fit into the above categories			

Completed forms required by 10th December 2010

Completed forms should be returned to: Bradley Stoke Town Council, 7 The Courtyard, Woodlands, Bradley Stoke, Bristol BS32 4NQ. Tel. 01454 868080. You can drop them into any of the following places: The Jubilee Centre, Brook Way or Baileys Court Activity Centres. You can also respond to the consultation online on the BSTC website: www.bradleystoke.gov.uk



# Public Consultation Town Council Office Location

Bradley Stoke Town Council is in the process of considering the possible relocation of the town council offices. There are a number of options which might be available and Councillors feel it is important to consult the residents of Bradley Stoke to find out their views.

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Option 1 Extend on the Jubilee Ce	ntre + football pitch relocation	Option 1a Extend on the Jubilee Centre
Option 2		Option 3
Stand-alone building at t	the Jubilee Centre + football pitch relocation	Continue to rent office

Completed forms required by 10th December 2010

Please return to The Town Council Offices, 7 The Courtyard, Woodlands, Bradley Stoke, South Glos BS32 4NQ or leave at Baileys Court, Brook Way or Jubilee Centres.

Comments can also be left on the Town Council website: www.bradleystoke.gov.uk

#### **Town Council Office Location**

For many years now, the Town Council has been renting commercial space for their office on the north fringe of Bradley Stoke. Councillors and office staff are aware that the office is in an out-of-the-way location and would benefit from being closer to the centre of Bradley Stoke. This would enable us to improve the service we offer to the residents of Bradley Stoke, making us more accessible, and giving the council a higher public profile.

Councillors are aware that the cost to residents (through the Precept) is very important, especially in the current economic climate, but it is Council's aim to obtain a loan from the Public Works Loan Board to finance the potential new build. It is hoped the cost of any annual loan repayments would be in the region of that currently paid to

rent the existing office space, and once the loan is paid off, the Town Council would own the building, thereby increasing the material assets of Bradley Stoke Town Council whilst also saving the community future rental expenditures.

The council has a number of suggested options for the residents of Bradley Stoke to consider. Obviously no firm decisions have been made at this stage, and there are no actual designs for proposed new buildings, but following a number of consultations with South Gloucestershire Council Property Services Department, town councillors now have a rough idea of costs involved in pursuing the new build options detailed below.

The costings of Options 1, 1a and 2 are based on an office space of 200sqm. The costs are purely for guidance and give an indication of relative costs for full completion of the build and have been calculated on a "worse case scenario" basis, using all available information.

#### **OPTION 1**

Extending The Jubilee Centre into the car parking area adjacent to the main entrance, with replacement car parking spaces encroaching on the lower grass pitch.

Council is aware that the lower football pitch will require moving to the side to accommodate the replacement car parking spaces at additional cost (currently estimated to be at least several thousand pounds).

Cost per sq. m - £2,267

(based upon a project cost of £453,354)

#### **OPTION 1a**

Extending The Jubilee Centre into the car parking area adjacent to the main entrance, with replacement car parking spaces situated to the side of the lower grass pitch to avoid encroachment onto the football pitch.

No additional costs would be incurred as the football pitch would not require relocation.

Cost per sq. m - £2,317

(based upon a project cost of £463,425)

#### **OPTION 2**

Building a stand alone new office block on the car park adjacent to the changing rooms with replacement car parking spaces encroaching on the lower grass pitch.

Council is aware that the lower football pitch will require moving to the side to accommodate the replacement car parking spaces at additional cost (currently estimated to be at least several thousand pounds).

Cost per sq. m - £2,243

(based upon a project cost of £448,632)

#### **OPTION 3**

Continue to rent office space.

Current Annual Rent - £25,750 p/a Current Service charge - £3,443 p/a

This equates to a rental cost per sq. m over 10 years -£1,893

based upon total rental fees over 10 a year period of £291,930 (utilising current rental figures and based upon the current rental size).



Please refer to the Bradley Stoke Town Council website for further details of site plans www.bradleystoke.gov.uk or alternatively contact the office direct on 01454 868080 to obtain a copy.





# New Bradley Stoke Farmer's/Artisan Market'

Bradley Stoke Town Council is pleased to announce that a Farmer's/Artisan Market will be commencing in October for a three month trial. Further information is available on the Town Council website or contact the office.

# Your local Safer Stronger Community Group needs you!

South Gloucestershire's 20 Safer Stronger Community Groups are all about working together to improve your local community. The groups also enable you to have your say about the services that your community needs and receives.

These groups have been set up as part of the South Gloucestershire Council's Community Engagement initiative and the Neighbourhood Policing Model. Their members include people who live and work in the area and representatives from South Gloucestershire Council, the local Police, Avon Fire & Rescue, Primary Care Trust, the Town & Parish Council and other local organisations. The aim is to:

- work together to ensure that local communities are safe and pleasant places to live, work and play
- give local people a greater voice and influence over local decisions and the priorities of the service providers
- support actions and initiatives that meet local needs

The next meeting for the Bradley Stoke Safer Stronger Community Group is: Tuesday 18th January 2011 at 7pm Jubilee Centre, Savages Wood Road, Bradley S<u>toke, BS32 8HL</u>

For meetings in other areas please visit, http://groups.southglos.gov.uk to find out the dates. Here, you will be able to become a member of your local e-group, view agendas and minutes from meetings and gain access to more information about the issues and projects in your area. Alternatively, you can contact your Safer Stronger Communities Officer on 01454 868760.





JUBILEE CENTRE
3 TENNIS COURTS



JUBILEE CENTRE
3 NETBALL COURTS



BAILEYS COURT 6 RINK BOWLS GREEN



JUBILEE CENTRE
ONE MULTICOURT
SIX A SIDE PITCH

## Play in the day and keep your eye on the ball

For Tennis, Bowls, Netball and Six a Side Football at competitive prices,

Be an early bird and play between 9.00am and 4.00pm during the day, or even in your lunch break when the courts are not so heavily booked.

We also have very active Cricket and Bowls Clubs playing at Baileys Court who are always keen on recruiting new members.

Be Active for Life

If you are interested then please ring Pat Louca on 01454 864646 or email your request on bookings@bradleystoke.gov.uk. Alternatively, check out the prices on our website www.bradleystoke.gov.uk and arrive on the day and play (subject to availability).

## Publication of Monthly Expenditure

In light of the Government's recommendation for local government transparency, Bradley Stoke Town Council now publishes their monthly expenditure on the Bradley Stoke Town Council website.

The town council is keen to be as transparent as possible in how it is spending the residents of Bradley Stoke's money and feel that the publication of all expenditure is an important step towards getting day-to-day council business out in the open.

The information published shows the name of the council's supplier, the amount they were paid and a brief description of the service or goods provided.

To find details of the monthly expenditure, click on "The Town Council" section on the left-hand side of the Bradley Stoke Town Council homepage, then scroll down to "Monthly Expenditures".

#### School term dates

#### Academic Year 2010/11

Term 1: Wednesday 1st September 2010 — Friday 22 October 2010 (38 teaching days)

Term 2: Monday 1st November 2010 – Friday 17th December 2010 (35 teaching days)

Term 3: Tuesday 4th January 2011 – Friday 18th February 2011 (34 teaching days)

Term 4: Monday 28th February 2011 – Friday 8th April 2011 (30 teaching days)

Term 5: Tuesday 26th April 2011 - Friday 27th May 2011 (23 teaching days)

Term 6: Monday 6th June 2011 – Friday 22nd July 2011 (35 teaching days)

Academic year 2011/12

Term 1: Thursday 1 September 2011 - Friday 21 October 2011 (37 teaching days)

Term 2: Monday 31 October 2011 - Friday 16 December 2011 (35 teaching days)

Term 3: Tuesday 3 January 2012- Friday 10 February 2012 (29 teaching days)

Term 4: Monday 20 February 2012 - Friday 30 March 2012 (30 teaching days)

Term 5: Monday 16 April 2012 – Friday 1 June 2012 (34 teaching days)

Term 6: Monday 11 June 2012 — Thursday 19 July 2012 (29 teaching days)

#### Childlin

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 -

All Fridays - 1 October, 22 October, 17 December.

The Bradley Stoke Jubilee Centre - Session Dates 2011

All Fridays – 7 January, 11 February, 11 March, 29 April, 3 June, 1 July, 29 July, 26 August, 23 September, 21 October, 18 November, 23 December.

#### **Community News**

See Bradley Stoke Matters for an online Events Diary and Community News. Read the online Bradley Stoke Journal to keep ahead of local issues and residents chat.

#### Racism

If you would like to talk to someone for advice: ring 01454 865733 or 868570 or 868530. The dedicated police hate crime office for South Glos area is on 0117 945 4195. Hate Crime Officers are trained, they can help!

#### Coffee Morning & Stalls

As of November 2010 at the Jubilee Centre, Savages Wood Road on the 2nd Thursday of every month -9.30am until 12.30pm.



#### Further Information

#### **Members Of Parliament**

Mr Jack Lopresti is the MP for Bradley Stoke. He can be contacted at 27 The Courtyard, Woodlands, Bradley Stoke, South Glos. BS32 4NH or by emailing: jack.lopresti.mp@parliament.uk or calling 01454 617783. Website: www.jacklopresti.com

#### **Bradley Stoke Town Council**

BSTC started life on 1 April 1992. There are currently 14,600+ on the current register of Electors and 15 elected Councillors in seven wards. Five Town Councillors are also members of South Glos Council.

#### Councillors

Benjamin Walker (Chair/Mayor), John Ashe, Roger Avenin, Julian Barge, Morgan Baynham (Chair Planning & Environment Cttee), Ernie Brown, Veronica Conway-Haskins, Keith Cranney, Mark Forsyth (Chair Finance Cttee), Sandra Hobson, Brian Hopkinson, Robert Jones (Chair Leisure, Youth & Amenities Cttee), Sarah Pomfret, Dr Elizabeth Todd, Jon Williams

#### Meetings

As well as Full Council, there are three Standing Committees for Planning & Environment, Finance, Leisure, Youth and Amenities. All Council and Standing Committee meetings are open to the public and the press. At any of the meetings there is time for electors to ask questions during public question time. Times and dates of meetings are published on the Town Council Noticeboards and on the Web Site.

#### **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 £500.00). All applications are considered on their merits. Application forms may be obtained from the BSTC Office. Grant Aid is only available to organisations and not individuals.

#### **Councillor Surgeries**

Councillor Surgeries are held on the first Saturday of each month, between 10.00am and 12 noon at the Willow Brook Centre for Bradley Stoke Residents to speak to their Councillors on any matter concerning the Town.

#### Useful Telephone Numbers



South Gloucestershire Council Services Main Switchboard Number:

South Glos Council Tax Equiries

Bradley Stoke Leisure Centre

Bradley Stoke Library 01454 868006

Dog Warden

Education - General Enquiries

Travellers

Trading Standards

01454 868001

Willow Brook Centre

01454 205040 Bradley Stoke Surgery

01454 616262

NHS Direct 0845 4647

Bradley Stoke Dental Surgery

STREETCARE

Bradley Stoke Matters Community Magazine

Southern Brooks Domestic Abuse Self-Help Support Group

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

9.00am

Gates Open Gates Closed

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)

#### **BSTC Beat Team**

PC Steve Palmer
PC Claire Fletcher
PCSO Jason Green
PCSO Paul Baxter
General Enquiries
Email:

07919 628 620
97825 175 304
97795 390 262
97825 388 925
97825 256 303
0845 456 7000

If a crime is in progress please ring 999



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: Sharon Petela, Town Clerk, Bradley Stoke Town Council, 7 The Courtyard, Woodlands, Bradley Stoke, South Glos, BS32 4NQ Telephone: (01454) 868080 Fax: (01454) 868084 E-mail: town.clerk@bradleystoke.gov.uk



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