Newsletter



In Partnership with the Community

Meet Your Town Councillors

At the Town Council election on 4th May 2023, the following councillors were elected to represent the residents of Bradley Stoke.

At the Annual Town Council Meeting on 17th May 2023, Councillor Dayley Lawrence was elected as Mayor/Chair of Council and Councillor Natalie Field as Deputy Mayor/Vice-chair of Council.



Dave Addison



Aleena Aditya



Tom Aditya



Roger Avenin



John Bradbury



Frederic Contenot



Terri Cullen



Natalie Field



Jenny James



Dayley Lawrence



Brian Mead



James Nelson



Ben Randles



Kulwinder Singh Sappal



Jon Williams

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Mayor's Charities



Mamas Bristol founded in 2018, helps create opportunities to reduce the costs of caring for dependants. We do this through a 3 pronged approach. Reuse, Reduce and Community.

Mamas Swaps and Freebies Bristol is an easily accessed online platform that supports people in our communities with dependants. It's a portal for families to offer free items to other families so that they can reuse and benefit from the donation. By members using our platform to donate perfectly reusable items to other families, we are saving items from being disposed of to landfill, reducing waste & our environmental impact.

As our members grew, a need for social inclusion and reduction of isolation became apparent. In April 2021 in the midst of the pandemic, we opened a supportive communal space for Mamas and invited hundreds of families across a year through varied sessions, and other planned events. We now have a brilliant home in Bradley Stoke, in woodlands business park – you can find us on google maps just search for "The Mamas Hub".

For example, every week we host stay and play sessions to support parents, reduce isolation and create opportunity for babies/children to develop social skills. Our set up has attracted weekly regular visitors, children of SEN abilities, blind children, and families who come for a hot drink & chat infrequently to seek support.

At our communal space, we store items required for emergency aid such as long life goods, baby feeding & changing equipment, hygiene & sanitary products and signposting documentations, most recently our "Mamas Family Larder" has recently opened and we are developing this resource to work for families across the local community. We have lots of upcoming events where we encourage and invite all to join us!

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Mamas Bristol CIC: Swaps & Freebies







Visit prostatecanceruk.org now to help beat this disease.

@ProstateUK #MenWeAreWithYou

About Prostate Cancer UK

- Prostate Cancer UK has a simple ambition to stop prostate cancer damaging the lives of men and their families.
- Investing into finding better treatments and tests that could save thousands of lives.
- Working with the NHS to make sure men get access to breakthrough tests and treatments.
- Spreading the word about who is at risk of prostate cancer, especially to those at higher risk.
- Supporting people dealing with prostate cancer and providing health information.

About prostate cancer

- Prostate cancer is the most common cancer in men.
- More than 12,000 men die from prostate cancer in the UK each year that's one man every 45 minutes.
- More than 52,000 men are diagnosed with prostate cancer every year that's 143 men every day.
- 1 in 8 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer in their lifetime. This raises to 1 in 4 for black men.
- Around 475,000 men are living with and after prostate cancer.
- A 30-second online risk checker is available at prostatecanceruk.org/risk-checker
- Prostate cancer mainly affects men over 50 and the risk increases with age. But the risk is higher for black men or men with a family history of prostate cancer, so they may wish to speak to their GP from age 45.
- Prostate cancer often has no symptoms so men shouldn't wait to see changes before they act.

Anyone with concerns about prostate cancer may contact Prostate Cancer UK's Specialist Nurses in confidence on 0800 074 8383 or online via the Live Chat instant messaging service: www.prostatecanceruk.org. The Specialist Nurse phone service is free to landlines and open from 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday, 10am to 5pm on Wednesdays.

Prostate Cancer UK is a registered charity in England and Wales (1005541) and in Scotland (SC039332). Registered company 02653887.



The Brightwell is a home from home for anyone living with a neurological condition. We provide therapies, support and friendship in our purpose built fully accessible Centre on Wheatfield Drive. We look after over 300 families from the local area, and our Community of inspirational Members are always welcoming, non-judgemental and fun to be around. The Brightwell also offers social activities and fundraising events which the local Community are always warmly invited to take part in and get to know us better.

Oxygen Therapy

We are the only provider of oxygen therapy in the region. We have a hyperbaric tank and therapy can take place either inside our chamber or outside. Inside therapy means breathing in a higher concentration of oxygen whilst under increased atmospheric pressure (hyperbaric). Members find that it helps them cope with the many varying symptoms of their conditions.

Specialist Neurological Physiotherapy

We have an amazing team of qualified physiotherapists, rehab specialists and physiotherapy assistants. Neurological physical therapy is aimed at retaining or restoring functional mobility, strength, balance, and coordination in people with neurological conditions. Whilst not a cure, our Members find that regular physiotherapy either one to one or as a group class, helps to keep them as independent and mobile as possible.

Also, in the physiotherapy department we have a gym, with adaptive equipment suitable for people of all levels of mobility. We also have various clinics, advice and informal sessions, as well as holistic therapies such as acupuncture and reflexology.

We also have a wonderful social space with café and a gorgeous garden in which to relax and enjoy the company of others.

30th Anniversary Bird Mosaic Mural

The Town Council has worked with a local artist, Katie Hanning and Councillor Angela Morey (who led on the collaborative project) to create a mosaic bird mural to celebrate the Town Council's 30th anniversary. The mural has been formed by bringing together a flock of small mosaic birds that have been created by different individuals/groups from Bradley Stoke, representing both the individuality and collectiveness of our community. The birds are grouped together to create a flock of birds that are flying across the wall of the main Town Council office building at the Jubilee Centre.

Mosaic Bird Making Workshop

The following groups, organisations and businesses, along with a number of Bradley Stoke families and local residents, were involved in the creation of the mural through a series of workshops and drop-in sessions:

- Abacus Pre-school (Baileys Court)
- Abacus Pre-school (Meadowbrook)
- Baileys Court Primary School
- Bowsland Green Primary School
- Bradley Stoke Community School Primary Phase
- · Bradley Stoke Evangelical Church
- . Bradley Stoke Green Gym
- Bradley Stoke In Bloom
- . Bradley Stoke Radio
- Bradley Stoke Town Council Girls and Young Womens Project
- . Bradley Stoke Town Council Office
- . Bradley Stoke Town Council Womens Institute
- Christ the King Church
- Holy Trinity Church
- Holy Trinity Primary School
- Little Acorns Pre-school
- · Mama Bear's Day Nursery and Pre-school
- Meadowbrook Primary School
- St Marys Catholic Primary School
- Trinity Pre-school
- Wheatfield Primary School
- · 2nd Stoke Lodge Brownies

The mural was officially unveiled on Friday 10th March 2023 by Deputy Mayor, Councillor Franklin Owusu-Antwi and other councillors as part of the Local History Drop-in Event which took place at the Jubilee Centre on that day.



Hedgehog Heroes in Bradley Stoke

To celebrate Bradley Stoke Town Council's Hedgehog Heroes initiative, we held a colouring competition. Thank you to Pets at Home for the prizes. All participants received a certificate and the First Place prize in both categories was a hedgehog house and bag of hedgehog food (donated by Pets at Home) plus a colourful knitted Hedgehog. Second place received a bag of hedgehog food and a knitted hedgehog.

Bradley Stoke Town Council is donating a Hedgehog Heroes sign to each school in the town and hope that it will be placed in a prominent location so that the local community can see that your school is playing their part in becoming a Hedgehog Hero. The Mayor, Councillor Dayley Lawrence has been into some of the local schools to hand over the signs.









June (organised by Bradley Stoke Town Council, **Bradley Stoke in Bloom and Bradley Stoke Zero** Carbon Community Group), hedgehog archways were given to residents of Bradley Stoke who will be installing them in their gardens to create holes in their own fence or gates to enable hedgehog to access their gardens. Hedgehog holes are typically 13cm holes and are installed in garden fences, walls and gates to enable hedgehogs to safely access gardens. These hedgehog holes or 'highways' will help form a garden network of places for hedgehogs to find food, shelter and even other prickly pals, ensuring that they do not have to cross busy roads. Once the archway is installed, the residents then plot the location at the BIG Hedgehog Map website.

At the Hedgehog Heroes event on Saturday 17th

Bradley Stoke Community Festival 2023

The community picnic took place on Saturday 10th June in glorious weather.

All entries in the Hedgehog Heroes Colouring Competition were on display in the Oak Hall and those attending voted for their favourite picture, with the results being announced at the Hedgehog Heroes event on the following Saturday. Music was provided by the Bradley Stoke Radio team and their roving reporters were out and about around the site interviewing people picnicking and watching Bradley Stoke Youth Football Club' 25th Anniversary Celebration matches. Refreshments were served by volunteers from Bradley Stoke Youth Football Club and the Bradley Stoke Ladies football team were selling cakes. The three Mayor' Charities (The Brightwell, Mamas Bristol and Prostate Cancer UK) were represented at the picnic. As in past years, the free facepainting and giant bubbles proved popular.





Lots of photos of all the Community Festival events are available at https://www.bradleystoke.gov.uk/events/festival/

Bradley Stoke Youth FC celebrates their 25th anniversary



Bradley Stoke Youth FC celebrates their 25th anniversary

On June 10th 2023 at the Jubilee Centre, Bradley Stoke Youth FC (BSYFC) celebrated their 25th anniversary with a football festival with over 350 children participating in the event. The age range of players on view was 4 to 16 years old showing their football skills and ability in front of some large crowds. The sun was shining and the pitches were looking fantastic. The format of the day was to have fun matches with no results and some competitive matches where the results were recorded to find a winner. All the action took place between 10am to 4.30pm and afterwards the coaches even played a match until the sun (or old age) got to them.

The event results were as follows:

RECEPTION CHILDREN

fun matches with a penalty shootout with the Minion in goals.

YEAR 1 CHILDREN

fun matches with a penalty shootout with the Minion in goals. The Year 1 children were the winners of the Luke Wheaton Memorial Cup.

U7'S

fun matches.

U9'S

fun matches.

MIXED U9'S AND U10'S

competitive matches with U10 Blacks winning the McDonalds Cup and the U9 Golds winning the Bradley Stoke Town Council Cup.

II11'S

competitive matches with U11 B's winning the McDonalds Cup.



fun matches and coaching session.

U13'S

fun matches.

MIXED U14 AND U15

competitive matches with the U15 Oranges winning the Bradley Stoke Town Council Cup.

MIXED U15 GIRLS AND LADIES

competitive matches with The Ladies Goals Aloud Team winning the McDonalds Cup.

Every age group had an award presentation with the Mayor of Bradley Stoke (Dayley Lawrence) and Deputy Mayor of Bradley Stoke (Natalie Field) in attendance to hand out the trophies and cups. For the Year 1 presentation we were delighted to be joined by Matt Wheaton from the Luke Wheaton Legacy Trust. The presentation of the Luke Wheaton Memorial Cup is an annual event at the Festival to ensure we remember Luke who played for many years with BSYFC.

The club would like to say thanks to the Bradley Stoke Town Council and the Luke Wheaton Legacy Trust for their kind donations towards the cost of the trophies which every child received at the festival. This was very much appreciated.

Sole Sisters 10K Run



For 18 years Sole Sisters have hosted the Bradley Stoke 10K. This year it was a hot humid morning and we saw 480 runners cross the finish line. Our 1st place runner finished in just over 35 mins.

Sole Sisters would like to thank friends, families, neighbours, Local Guides, Brownies, Rainbows, Rangers, Bradley Stoke Church and fellow running clubs who volunteered to marshal on the day. They did a fabulous job cheering the runners along the route, handing out Water, Jelly babies, Chocolate Brownies, T-shirts and Medals. We really could not have held the race without them all.

The comments we receive following the race portray just what an important role the +80 marshals around the route play in making the event the success that it is, we wish we could have more marshals to cover every twist and turn but here are some of this year's heart-warming comments.

- "Thank you for hosting the event and thank you to all the awesome people giving up their time on a Sunday morning to keep us safe and see us around. Fantastic encouragement from everyone. Xx"
- "Thank you to everyone that organised, marshalled and stood on the street to support. Great community event"
- Great event, lots of support and fantastic marshalling. Thank you
- Thanks to all the fabulous marshals!
 What a super event!

Take a look at the Bradley Stoke 10K Facebook page for more amazing comments and some super race day photos. https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100090947270405



Brightwell Charity Colour Run

Crowds gathered at Jubilee Green, Bradley Stoke on Sunday June 11th to take part in a charity colour run organised by The Brightwell - a charity supporting those with neurological conditions by providing therapies such as neuro-physio and Oxygen therapy.

Participating in two heats, it was an eye catching, fun filled afternoon of smiles, laughter and clouds of colour for all ages and abilities.

The Brightwell would like to thank the Mayor Dayley Lawrence & The Bradley Stoke Town Council for their support in making this fundraising dream viable. One of the members of the Centre who enjoyed the event said it was 'simply the best day ever'. The Brightwell would also like to thank all that came along to show their support, purchased tickets, sponsored the event and the amazing volunteers who made the event possible.

A huge £4,700 has been raised so far and the funds from this event are still rolling in!

They hope to run the event again next year after its big success.



Bradley Stoke Skatepark & Festival Jam - Saturday 17th June

At this year's festival, Bradley Stoke Town Council's Youth Workers and local young people were delighted to once again host a popular package of Skatepark and Art activities. A mix of skate park skills and creative arts ran alongside our annual Festival Skatepark competition. The competition was interspersed with rider demonstrations and 'have-a-go' opportunities, with the support of Kings Ramps, along with music and an MC.

The following competitions took place during the afternoon:

Scooter: 12 & Under; 13+ BMX: 12 & Under; 13+ Skateboard: All ages

Roller Blades: All ages Inline & Quads

The Art activities gave young people the opportunity to participate in workshops run by Olas Arts and those attending produced their own piece of artwork to take home. The artist has worked with the Town Council in the past, running popular workshops and on this occasion used old vinyl records as a canvas for street art style creativity.

Young people's involvement in planning and organising the festival is supported by Bradley Stoke Town Council's youth workers. If you are a young person living in the Bradley Stoke area and aged 11 to 19 who would like to find out about our other youth work sessions and projects, or would like to get involved as a young person or volunteer, come along for a chat or contact the youth development & participation worker on 07900 253826 or email graham.baker@bradleystoke.gov.uk



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Bradley Stoke Town Councillors have

been out and about

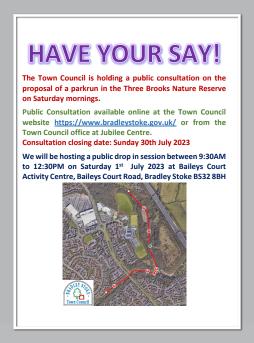








Town Councillors surgeries resumed (2nd and 4th Saturday of every month – various locations) – Visit https://www.bradleystoke.gov.uk/events/upcoming-events-and-meetings.php for more information





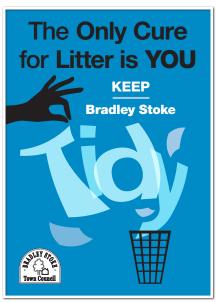
Graffiti Removal

Bradley Stoke Town Council is committed to eradicating graffiti in Bradley Stoke by offering a free to use service for residents of the Town. We have done this for some years using our own equipment but unfortunately in December the machine broke and due to its age, we were unable to repair it.

The new scheme in place now has South Gloucestershire Council remove graffiti on our behalf at a cost to Bradley Stoke Town Council and we have set aside a yearly budget of £1000 to make sure we can offer this all year to all residents. It is worth noting that offensive graffiti that displays rude words, racist or derogatory terminology, homophobic comments and offensive images can be removed by the South Gloucestershire team free of charge by contacting South Gloucestershire Council directly. The service we offer is for any graffiti that does not fit into these categories on private properties.

To make use of the scheme, either contact the Activity Centres Manager/Deputy Town Clerk via the "contact the office" section of our website https://www.bradleystoke.gov.uk/ or call the office on 01454 205 020 and we will arrange a time to come out and have you complete the disclaimer and take photos of the graffiti.







Forthcoming Town Council Meetings 2023

Full Council

Wednesday 20 September Wednesday 18 October Wednesday 15 November

Finance Committee (6:30pm)

Wednesday 26 July Wednesday 27 September Wednesday 25 October Wednesday 22 November Wednesday 20 December

Leisure, Youth & **Amenities Committee**

Monday 14 August Monday 16 October Monday 18 December Staffing Committee Monday 30 October

Planning & Environment Committee (7:30pm)

Wednesday 26 July Wednesday 23 August Wednesday 27 September Wednesday 25 October Wednesday 22 November Wednesday 20 December

Blood Donation Sessions -Future Dates 2023

The Bradley Stoke Jubilee Centre -Session Dates

11 August, 18 August, 1 September, 22 September, 13 October, 20 October, 10 November, 1 December and 22 December

Community News

Bradley Stoke Journal Bradley Stoke Matters Magazine

South Gloucestershire Council School Term Dates

Academic Year 2023/24

Term 1: Friday 1st September 2023 -Friday 20th October 2023

Term 2: Monday 30th October 2023 -Friday 15th December 2023

Term 3: Tuesday 2nd January 2024 -Friday 9th February 2024

Term 4: Monday 19th February 2024 -Thursday 28th March 2024

Term 5: Monday 15th April 2024 -Friday 24th May 2024

Term 6: Monday 3rd June 2024 -Tuesday 23rd July 2024

Member of Parliament

Mr Jack Lopresti is the MP for Bradley Stoke.

He can be contacted at: Office 29. The South Block, The Courtyard, Woodlands, Bradley Stoke, South Glos, BS32 4NH.

Telephone: 01454 617783

Email: jack.lopresti.mp@parliament.uk

ChildLine

https://members.parliament.uk/ member/3989/contact

Useful Telephone Numbers

Bradley Stoke Leisure Centre

0300 333 0300

Bradley Stoke Library 01454 868006

South Glos Council:

Main Switchboard Number: 01454 868009 Council Tax Enquiries 01454 868003

Dog Warden

01454 868000

Education 01454 868008

Environmental Health 01454 868001

Street Care Helpdesk

Trading Standards 03454 040506

01454 868000

Willow Brook Centre

01454 205040 **Bradley Stoke GP Surgery**

01454 616262

NHS Direct

Avon & Somerset Constabulary (Bradley Stoke Beat Team)

PC Sophie Green PC Ben Jones-Hill PCSO Adam Ali PCSO Oliver Kirk

General Enquiries 101

If a crime is in progress please ring 999

Bradley Stoke Police Beat Team surgeries

These are held regularly at different locations around the town. To find out when the next surgery is due to be held, please contact the beat team at https:// www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/your-area/ bradley-stoke/

Publication of Monthly Expenses

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 "Finance" section at the top of the Bradley Stoke Town Council homepage, and then scroll down to "Monthly Expenditures"

Racism/Hate Crime

If you would like to talk to someone for advice, Hate Crime Officers are trained, they can help.

Avon and Somerset Police

If it is an emergency please call 999 For Non emergency reports please contact: 101

Bristol Hate Crime & Discrimination Services www.bhcds.org.uk

SARI (Stand Against Racism & Inequality) Tel: 01179 420060

EACH (Educational Action Challenging Homophobia) Actionline: 0808 1000 143

Other Public Agencies

Samaritans

South Gloucestershire Council Anti-Social Behaviour Team

Tel: 01454 868582

Streetlink

0300 500 0914

Victim Support (Avonvale covering South Gloucestershire) Tel: 0300 303 1972

Further Information

Bradley Stoke Town Council

BSTC started life on 1 April 1992. There are currently 22,784 residents (2021 Census figures) with 15,070 people on the February 2023 electoral roll. The town has 15 elected Councillors in five wards. Four Town Councillors are also members of South Gloucestershire Council.

Councillors

Dave Addison

Bradley Stoke, Woodlands SGC -Stoke Gifford Via Bradley Stoke Town Council website

Aleena Aditya

Bradley Stoke, Primrose Bridge Via Bradley Stoke Town Council website

Bradley Stoke, Willowbrook Via Bradley Stoke Town Council website

Roger Avenin Bradley Stoke, Webbs Wood Tel: 0117 9099471

John Bradbury
Bradley Stoke, Webbs Wood SGC - Bradley Stoke South Via Bradley Stoke Town Council website

Frederic Contenot

Bradley Stoke, Woodlands Via Bradley Stoke Town Council website

Terri Cullen

Bradley Stoke, Woodlands SGC - Bradley Stoke North Via Bradley Stoke Town Council website

Natalie Field Vice-chair of Council

Bradley Stoke, Woodlands Via Bradley Stoke Town Council website

Jenny James

Bradley Stoke, Stoke Brook Tel: 0117 9099471

Dayley Lawrence Chair of Council

Jubilee Centre. All councillors can be contacted by e-mail through the Bradley Stoke Town Council website.

Bradley Stoke, Willowbrook Via Bradley Stoke Town Council website

As well as contacting councillors en masse at Council Meetings, please remember that any issues you have in your area that you would like to discuss with your councillor in a personal face-to-face meeting, these can either be arranged in your home, at the site of a query e.g. untidy area etc. or by pre-booked appointment with your councillor at our Council Office at the

Brian Mead

Bradley Stoke, Willowbrook Via Bradley Stoke Town Council website

James Nelson

Bradley Stoke, Primrose Bridge Via Bradley Stoke Town Council website

Benjamin Randles

Bradley Stoke, Webbs Wood SGC - Bradley Stoke South Mobile: 07342200660

Kulwinder Singh Sappal

Bradley Stoke, Primrose Bridge Mobile: 07396712157

Jon Williams

Bradley Stoke, Stoke Brook Mobile: 07541716501

As well as Full Council, there are three Standing Committees for Finance, Planning & Environment and Leisure. Youth & 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 Town Council Web Site.

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. There is also a Community Development Grant Funding budget available for bigger projects (maximum grant £4,000).

Bradley Stoke Youth Development & Participation Worker

Bradley Stoke has its own Youth Development & Participation Worker. Graham Baker is contactable on: mobile 07900 253826 or e-mail graham.baker@ bradlevstoke.gov.uk

Feedback