



ANNUAL REPORT 2007/2008

Bradley Stoke Town Council will work to promote and develop
the interests and diversity of this vibrant community



CHAIRMAN'S OVERVIEW 2007/2008

As Chair of the Town Council, it gives me great pleasure to outline the work and achievements of the Town Council during the past year. In addition, I have been pleased to be invited to many and varied functions in my capacity as Mayor; I can certainly testify to the vitality and enthusiasm of our community groups. There is plenty going on! As Chair, my thanks are due to my fellow Councillors for their hard work and dedication to serving the needs of residents, as well as to the Town Clerk and all the Office and Activity Centres staff who worked tirelessly through a difficult year. They are in the front line of most of what goes on in the town and work cheerfully to keep the show on the road.

The major event of the year was the election in May of a new Town Council that changed the overall control to Conservative from Liberal Democrat for the first time since the formation of the Town Council in 1992. Out of 15 Councillors, ten were new to the task and the list of Councillors is given elsewhere in this Report. The year has therefore been one of consolidation as a team and the beginning of an exploration of policies and procedures towards a restructuring and possible relocation to a town centre position, for which negotiations are in hand.

The second major event was the building of the permanent extension to Baileys Court Activity Centre that took from May to November. Pearce Group Ltd were the principal contractors and we are very pleased with the result that has created three new rooms with all the necessary facilities and storage, including a dedicated youth space that was lacking anywhere in the town.

The planning process had occupied several years and the opportunity was taken to create a 'presence' for the building on Baileys Court Road and to improve the car park lighting. Safety netting was installed alongside the car park to prevent sixes from enthusiastic cricketers hitting any cars parked there. The whole area has therefore been tidied up and the dilapidated modular building (The Green Hut) and untidy shrubbery removed. In all, this and the internal decoration and furnishings have cost about £750,000 which has been funded from Council's resources without recourse to borrowing. However, this does mean that there are no sums of this magnitude readily available for any further projects.

A third significant event, though not one for which the Town Council is directly responsible, is the long awaited construction of the town centre. Tesco are to be congratulated on their efforts to provide a generally acceptable centrepiece to the town that has been so long awaited.

That and the completion of the last remaining housing sites brings the town to virtual completion and the new Tesco store - though not the whole of the site - will be open for business in the 21st year of the Town's history. Some thirty other retail units will become available, plus offices and the relocated filling station. It is hoped that the town square (although it is more oval in shape) will be the scene of many activities by all sorts of community groups and traders during the year. It should be a hub for Bradley Stoke and its population of 20-odd thousand people.

Bradley Stoke community continues to develop and the Community Festival in June was enhanced with some impressive new 'acts' to celebrate the town's twentieth anniversary and the Town Council's fifteenth. For the fifth year running the weather was excellent. This year's Festival, on 6,7,8 June, promises to be equally entertaining and will be spread across the three Activity

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Centres managed by the Town Council; look out for details. Last year's Festival saw the inauguration of the Local Produce Market that has operated so successfully from Brook Way Activity Centre - joining the hugely successful coffee mornings that have delighted residents for some 18 months.

In October a dinner dance was arranged at the Hilton Hotel with Bristol Aztec Rotary Club to celebrate the town's twentieth anniversary and Rotary's tenth. Over 100 people attended. A raffle and auction completed the evening and several thousand pounds were added to the charitable funds of each organisation.

The fireworks display in November was again as spectacular as in previous years and the reorganisation of the site enabled many more people to watch in perfect safety. The crowd could be measured in thousands and nearly £3000 was added to the Mayor's charities which, this year, are the Nicola Corry Support Fund and the Bristol Urological Prostate Cancer Appeal. Thanks are due to all those who have supported these worthy causes so well.

The Town Council manages three activity centres:

- Baileys Court Activity Centre which also has a bowling green, cricket pitch and youth football pitches
- Brook Way Activity Centre which also has floodlit tennis/netball courts
- Bradley Stoke Jubilee Centre which also has football pitches, the 'Jubilee Green' and floodlit tennis/netball courts,

In addition the Town Council maintains junior play areas at Baileys Court, Brook Way, Foxborough Gardens, Paddock Close and Rosemary Close, and a teenage skatepark in the precincts of South Gloucestershire's Leisure Centre off, Fiddlers Wood Lane.

The electorate numbers over 14,000 and there are some 8,500 residential properties. Most of the Town Council's income is raised by a precept that is set by the Town Council and collected each year on our behalf by South Gloucestershire Council along with their Council Tax. Income is also raised through hiring out the Town Council's premises and sometimes funding can be obtained for special projects. One such, amounting to £55,000, has just been awarded from the Lottery Play Fund to provide a 'Beacon Park' in the Town. This will be used to landscape the Jubilee Green and provide more leisure facilities there. At the time of writing, work is just about to get underway.

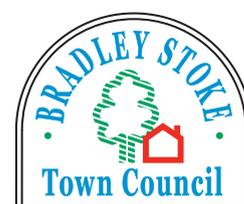
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Julian Barge

CLLR JULIAN BARGE
CHAIR

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FINANCE AND LEISURE COMMITTEE

Meeting six times a year in alternative months to full Council the finance and leisure committee's wide brief covers nearly all aspects of the Council's business with the obvious exception of planning, and community grant aid, which are dealt with elsewhere.

So whilst it may not be the most glamorous job title, chair of Finance and Leisure is certainly demanding and I am grateful to all members of the committee both newly elected and returning for their support in the last year.

With the change in political make up of the Council following May's election and the payout of nearly three quarters of a million pounds for the extension to Baileys Court, it will come as no surprise in today's uncertain economic climate that caution has been the watchword for financial matters and a general tightening of the purse strings was the overriding theme of this year's budget process which has kept the annual rise in precept for 08/09 at a level comparable with RPI.

To put this achievement in context it is worth remembering that the basket of goods used by the national statistics office to calculate RPI is not reflective of council's expenditure. Energy prices which impact greatly on our budget have increased in double figure percentages and look certain to do so again in the near future while council's cash reserves, which have provided considerable annual interest income in the past, have, with the completion of work at Baileys Court, been fully spent.

Of course, that's not to say we're not investing large sums in the future of our community. And one of the first actions of the committee this year was to set up a working group to draw up a strategic performance plan for Council which is now available on the Council's website and provides a guide to our aims and objectives for the next three years. Thanks to all the members of the working group but in particular, I must mention Cllr Charlton who took the lead.

Significant sums of money have been spent on new roller shutters at the Jubilee Centre and on the old part of Baileys Court. It is hoped that these will generate savings by reducing vandalism which has sadly increased in recent years.

The 2008/09 budget also includes funding for new play equipment at Rosemary Close and of course the flagship beacon scheme on the Jubilee Green which also has funding from the National Lottery.

A number of efficiency reviews are also under way with an expert working group looking at Staff Pensions and the Staffing Committee looking at our overall office structure as we begin to plan for the departure of our Town Clerk who is due to retire in 2010.

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Finally, I am also pleased to report that the internal and external auditors have again given us a clean bill of a health and for that I must heap praise on our Responsible (that is her title as well as a plaudit) Finance Officer, Rachel Pullen without whom we would not be able to be so positive about the future. However, I am sure that with her assistance, the hard work of all our staff and the dedication of Councillors we will continue to improve performance, efficiency and value for taxpayer's money with each passing year.

Robert Jones

CLLR ROBERT JONES
CHAIR





PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT & AMENITIES COMMITTEE

Following the Local Government Elections in May 2007, the Council was for the first time in its history under the overall control of the Conservatives and as a newly elected Councillor I was honoured to be elected to Chair the above committee.

Overwhelmed at the prospect of making a difference to what I sometimes considered bizarre planning consents, it came as a bit of a shock to discover that as a Town Council, we have only as much influence on the planning decisions of South Gloucestershire Council as individual residents. Still, it would keep me busy for at least one night a month. Whilst we as a council have little influence on the outcome of planning, it is perhaps more important to focus on the positives that the committee is able to deal with and influence.

Perhaps the most important of these is in providing Grant Aid to a variety of local community groups and organisations to enable them function within the local communities. This year these grants have ranged from providing a one off grant towards the cost of a notice board for a local church, to the continued provision of a grant to Sole Sisters, to enable them to organise the forth coming 'Fun-Run' during this year's Festival. Grant Aid totalling some £2950 since March 2007 has been provided to nine local organisations. Should any local group wish to apply for a grant, then Grant Aid forms are available from the Council Office.

Another important area covered by the committee is the overseeing and scrutiny of Health and Safety at all council sites. Whilst it may seem that H&S sometimes rules our lives, it is important to have a pragmatic view of the requirements and ensure that at no time do the activities of staff or users of council facilities endanger either themselves or others. An excellent example of this was last year's Fireworks display, where, following a potential incident the previous year, a review of the site layout, overseen and scrutinized by the committee, ensured that whilst ensuring minimum disruption to viewing of the display, members of the public were not exposed to any potential danger from the display.

It has been heartening to continue to monitor the progress of the new town centre, which after many years has finally started to take shape. It will, it is hoped add to the sense of community once it is completed and, with its close proximity to Bradley Stoke Community School and the Leisure Centre, will ensure that Bradley Stoke continues to grow and flourish as a community.

Finally in closing, I would like to thank the Town Clerk and all his staff who have supported the committee throughout the last year, but more importantly I would like to thank those members of the public who have taken the time to attend the meetings. Whilst it is appreciated that decisions taken have not always been what people may have wanted, I hope it has shown that democracy continues to flourish at a local level.

Mark Forsyth

CLLR MARK FORSYTH
CHAIR

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SCHOOLS

BRADLEY STOKE COMMUNITY SCHOOL - HEAD DAVE BAKER

Our successes in 2007-2008

- 570 students now in years 7, 8 and 9 with another 180 due to start in September 2008, currently with 78 members of staff
- Significant use of school facilities by community organisations, including use of the kitchens every day to provide community meals
- Achieved specialist school status for September 2008 with joint specialisms: Performing Arts and Languages
- Achieved Healthy Schools Status in 2007 in recognition of emphasis on healthy diet and lifestyle
- Achieved Sportsmark for the second year running in 2007 in recognition of high participation rates
- Architects' plans now being finalised for planning permission for sixth form at the school, subject to approval from the Learning Skills Council and the local authority, in readiness for use in September 2010
- Approval to run the Creative and Media Diploma from 2009 within the Concorde Partnership of schools and college



WHEATFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL - HEAD CHRIS DURSLEY

Our successes in 2007-2008

- It has been another busy year in the life of Wheatfield Primary school which celebrates its 10TH Birthday this September! Our achievements this year include:
- A very successful Ofsted Inspection in June 2007, when we were judged to be a good school with some outstanding features especially in the areas of the children's personal development and well-being
- After a rigorous external assessment we were re-accredited with the Healthy School kite mark for the period 2007-2010
- Our provision of a wide range of high quality sporting opportunities both within and beyond curriculum time has resulted in the achievement of the Activemark kite mark
- Several staff have been selected to take part in International Visits during the course of the past year- to Finland, Australia and Indonesia. Such visits support the development of the global dimension within the curriculum and enable us to make links with schools in other countries

BOWSLAND GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL - HEAD CLARE WHITAKER

Our successes in 2007-2008

We are most proud of our community activities in the last year. These are:

- Having a ball court built for the children through local sponsorship with Wates builders and super human fundraising by the PTA
- Our choir being invited to sing Christmas Carols at The Mall, Cribbs Causeway
- Our Easter Bonnet competition with Asda, at Cribbs Causeway. We judged their hats and they judged ours
- Our Football team won the South Glos Small Schools Football Competition

HOLY TRINITY PRIMARY SCHOOL - HEAD JANE JOHNS

Our successes in 2007-2008

- We were delighted when our deputy head teacher, Mr Darren Stanley, won the regional final in the category of Primary School teacher of the year in the National Teaching Awards. He went on to the national final, held at the London Palladium, and although he didn't win the national award, we are still proud of his achievement. And to add to this, we have just heard that a teaching assistant here, who was nominated in March 2008, is a finalist in the 2008 Teaching Awards in the Teaching Assistant category. She will find out at the award ceremony in June whether she has won this prestigious accolade
- We held two very successful school camps in 2007/8 academic year. Year 3 pupils went to Hooke Court and had a great time experiencing what it was like to be an evacuee! Yes, they left dressed up in 1930s clothes and carrying boxes (without gas masks!). As part of the fun there they cooked wartime recipes and held a VE party one evening. None of them particularly enjoyed staying in the air raid shelter for too long and they were amazed to hear that sometimes children had to spend all night in one!
- Over the summer break we had a new computer suite installed. This provides a single server, with a greater capacity and flexibility for pupils
- Following a successful bid for funding from the Big Lottery, we have been able to provide high quality enrichment in arts for children in this school and other primaries in Bradley Stoke. There are five Creative Saturdays running through this academic year, all with a different theme, but all including a drumming or percussion activity, an art/craft activity and a dance/drama activity. We are looking forward to the final one in July which will include a barbecue and the big drumming circle!

ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL - HEAD COLLEEN COLLET

Our successes in 2007-2008

- Re-development of play areas as designed by the pupils to enhance their physical and creative well being
- The building of an additional classroom to enhance teaching and learning and accommodate extra teaching support
- The celebration of our cultural community which is rapidly expanding by way of holding an international week where pupils learnt different languages and tasted a range of foods

MEADOWBROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL - HEAD JON BARR

Our successes in 2007-2008

- The school appointed a new, experienced leadership team, Mr Jon Barr, headteacher, and Mr Kevin Jones, deputy headteacher, who both commenced at the school in September 2007
- Ofsted inspectors visited the school in January 2008 and concluded that the school was rapidly improving and had a good capacity to continue improving.
- The school has concentrated on developing a creative and active curriculum through language days, science days, exciting experiences for our children and a range of visitors to our school
- The school has increased the children's involvement in community sports opportunities including visits to and from Bristol Rugby Club, involvement in sports festivals and increasing the range of clubs available in the school

BAILEYS COURT PRIMARY SCHOOL - HEAD WENDY DAVEY

Our successes in 2007-2008

- Celebrated our tenth birthday
- We had a very positive Ofsted inspection
- We have won the local football league
- We are very proud of many talented pupils who have succeeded in many extra-curricular activities such as go-karting, drama, taekwondo, football, swimming, ballet, many at national level



SOUTHERN BROOKS COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

We are a registered charity with offices in Bradley Stoke Community School and Patchway Community Centre. We work with local people to ensure they feel listened to and included and able to participate in community life. We have a team of around 70 full and part-time staff and often have vacancies

Winsome Barratt Muir joined us as the community development worker in August and is interested in hearing from residents who would like to start new groups or activities. Winsome has been working with a group of residents to set up a community radio station and if you'd like to get involved please call her. She is also about to start coffee mornings at Baileys Court on a Saturday, in response to a plea for more activities for older people.

We have been pleased to work with the Town Council on the successful festival in June, International Women's Day in March this year and the regular 2nd Friday coffee mornings. We are co-ordinating the community stalls at the June festival again, so if your group would like to book a stall please get in touch.

With the town council we've set up a Safer and Stronger Community Group involving regular meetings for residents to meet with local Councillors and the Police to identify the priorities for a safe and strong community. We've also led an initiative to meet with people from different ethnic groups in the town, to help overcome some of the discrimination and challenges they've faced.

Our family support team continue to work with many families in Bradley Stoke. As well as running a Toy Library and Domestic Abuse support group, we provide families with extra support when they are

going through difficult times. New to Bradley Stoke this year has been a project working with children aged 8 - 12 who are getting involved in anti-social behaviour. Funded by the Youth Justice Board, this helps children by providing regular 1 to 1 support and working with their families on dealing with difficult behaviour. It now has funding for three years.

Our Living Landmarks project, funded through the Heritage Lottery Fund, has involved children and older people in local history and creating plaques that you will see shortly around the town. Working with most of the primary schools in the town, it has used innovative ways of capturing children's imagination about the past and older people's memories and built respect for the local area. Come to the display at the Festival in June.

We've run an exciting programme of training courses this year including Introduction to Youth Work and Introduction to Community Development and are able to offer Level 3 qualifications in both courses. If you are interested in the youth work course please contact us urgently as it starts very soon

Thanks are due to Bradley Stoke Town Council for providing our core funding, which enables us to bring in around 10 times more funding for all of our activity in the town.

Julie Snelling

JULIE SNELLING
DIRECTOR



Please take the time to look at our website www.sbcommunitypartnership.org.uk



BRADLEY STOKES YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Most weeks we've been providing:

- 2 nights youth work at the Jubilee centre
- 3 nights at Baileys Court, or other venues when the building was shut for refurbishment
- 3 nights working with young people on the streets and in open spaces

Regular music workshops have taken place where young people develop their musical skills. One young man's rap became a local ring tone! We held two music events for young people with six different acts at each event and are looking to expand this work in the coming year.

Through funding from Awards For All we have been able to offer access to sports such as self defence, team sports, football, basketball etc. We have played a variety of matches with the local youth clubs and, although Bradley Stoke young people do not always win, the matches seem to be the best part of sports training.

Young people were involved with Wild Spaces in the planning and preparation of the Festival of

Light - even down to litter picking. The young people enjoyed having 'walk-talkies' and being able to communicate with the lighting and security team as the evening unfolded.

The Town Council recently opened a new wing to Baileys Court Activity Centre which includes a youth facility. This will enable the quality of youth work to be increased and we look forward to working with young people in developing the club. Three of them worked together and with the help of the youth work team raised over £4,000 to buy equipment for the youth club.

Over the next year our plans include setting up a youth forum where young people can share their ideas and contribute towards the development of the town

Ruth Cornish

RUTH CORNISH
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT MANAGER



AVON AND SOMERSET POLICE

The Bradley Stoke Neighbourhood Policing Team consisting of myself, WPC Claire Bradbrook, PCSO Jason Green and PCSO Pat Gardner have been working hard to address the issues of the community.

Neighbourhood policing looks at ways to work with our partners and the communities to establish the priorities of the neighbourhood. This year we have introduced our first PACT (Partnerships and Communities Together) meeting. These meetings are where you the residents tell us and our partners the issues affecting you. During the discussions the top priorities are voted on and responsibility to action these priorities are taken by one or more of the agencies. ie Police, Highways, Council etc. Our current priorities are found on our website www.avonandsomerset.police.uk. The next PACT meeting is being held at Meadowbrook Primary school on 10th June at 6.30pm. Please come along, meet the Bradley Stoke Neighbourhood Policing team and raise any issues you have.

The Team are continually working on ways to reach all members of the community especially the hard to reach groups. We are currently working alongside Orange to communicate with the high amount of overseas workers in and around Bradley Stoke. We have also established a monthly "Have Your Say Day" where we attend a local focal point, ie Tesco and the Leisure Centre to meet the community, establish their issues and priorities. We can often "solve a problem" there and then by giving general crime reduction advice. Another scheme we have up and running is our monthly "Street Briefing". The team invites every resident in a street for an informal "chat" in the street. One briefing highlighted inconsiderate parking so we worked together with the school and residents and had a "Week of action" whereby Fixed Penalty tickets were issued as well as our "3 Strike Parking Scheme".

Another issue which always features highly on people's priority list, is Anti- Social behaviour. We are currently working with the ASB team on three Anti-social behaviour contracts for young people in the area. We have been attending all local schools and youth organisations assisting in the education around the consequences of this type of behaviour as well as advice on "keeping safe".

We are currently working with other agencies on two exciting sports based initiatives to encourage young people into a positive activity.

As well as all our community work we are still out dealing with reported crimes, issuing fixed penalties for traffic offences as well as disorder and assisting with the execution of drugs warrants.

Claire Bradbrook

WPC CLAIRE BRADBROOK



If you want any further information on any topics mentioned please view our website or read our monthly newsletter which is published in Bradley Stoke Matters as well as being displayed in community centres.

You can also contact your local Neighbourhood Policing Team on 0845 456 7000.





ACTIVITIES WITHIN BRADLEY STOKE

BRADLEY STOKE TOWN COUNCIL ACTIVITY CENTRES

2nd Stoke Lodge Brownies; Annette's Dance Academy; Avon Netball Association; Black & Blues Netball; Bradley Stoke Netball; Bradley Stoke Youth FC; Bradley Stoke Town FC; Little Acorns; Little Savages; Cheeky Monkeys; Citizens Advice Bureau; craft for You; Bradley Stoke CC; Crossbow Netball Club; Dragon Tang Soo Do; Filton College; Jubilee Tots; National Blood Service; Oasis Moorish Foods; Pavilion Youth Club; Play Association; Play Pitch Pre-School; Language Classes; Puddleducks; Tiddlers Toy Library; Sewing and Craft Group; SG Asian Project; Socatots; SG Chinese Association; South Glos PCT; Southern Brooks Community Partnership run a variety of courses and events; SG Hambrook FC; Speech and Drama Studio; Sticky Fingers; Stoke Lane U14's; TJ's Netball Club; Wince Circle; WI; Weight Watchers; Young Babies- Sing & Sign.

For further information please ring
01454 864646

BRADLEY STOKE LEISURE CENTRE

Space Cats Soft Play; Soccer Tots; Soccer Skills; Tramp Tots; Short Tennis; Basketball; Toddlers Dance; Karate; Gym Tots; Street Dance; Keep Fit 50+; Social Badminton; Time Out Crèche; Saturday Club; Party Centre; Move It Classes; Yoga; Body Shapers; Move It Aerobics; Step "n" Sweat; Just Circuits; Bridges Health & Fitness; Martial Arts; Judo; Jujitsu; Aikido; Pilates; Spin; Tone Zone; Roller-skating; 20/20/20 Aerobics; Hot Latino Aerobics; Bakeries; Children's Trampoline Courses

For further information please ring
01454 867050

BRADLEY STOKE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Bradley Stoke YFC; Bridges Church; Dalmo; School of Rock; Basketball; Netball; Martial Arts Club. Some of the Activities held in other Centres (in the main within approx 3 miles of Bradley Stoke although the actual activity may take place further afield)

For further information please ring
01454 868840

FILTON COLLEGE LEARN DIRECT

Computer Courses - Intro to Advanced and Specialist Areas

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH; BRADLEY STOKE

Cosmic United Football - Saturdays 9am-12am (age 5-16) with tuck shop & coffee bar; Joyful Noises - Tuesdays 9.30-10.30am (age 1.5-4); Glory Gang - Mondays 6-7.30pm for 7-11 year olds; Trinity Pre-School - Tuesday-Friday; Youth Groups - Sunday evenings and Wednesday evenings; Cell Groups - Tuesday and Wednesday evenings; ALPHA - Tuesday evenings; Woodlands Fellowship - Tuesday mornings at 11am fortnightly; Rainbows - Wednesday evenings; Brownies - Wednesday evenings; St John's Ambulance - Wednesday and Friday Evenings; Bradley Stoke 0-5's Monday mornings; Fairplay - Saturday afternoons; Brazilian Church - Sunday afternoons; Kids Klub - breakfast; after school and holiday club

BRADLEY STOKE LIBRARY

Children's Library; Baby rhyme times; Children's story times; Readers group; Free internet access;

Age concern IT tuition; DVD and CD hire; Volunteer bureau

For further information please ring
01454 865723

IN AND AROUND BRADLEY STOKE

Covey Pre School; Bright Horizons Nursery; St Mary's Rugby Club; Air Training Corps, Filton; Army Cadet Force; Stoke Gifford; Dance Classes; Fencing; Girl Guides; Hockey; Fromside Gymnastics; City of Bristol Brass Band; Table Tennis; Theatre Groups; WI; Townswomen's Guilds; Rotary; Lions; BS Ladies Group; Young at Heart Club for the Over 50s; Grapevine Toddler Group; Patchway Judo Club; CtK Pre School; Daring 2B Different; Cre-8; The Big Why!?!; 344 Dance Centre; Egyptian Nights Belly Dancing; Eventide Club; Friendship Club; @One; Duke of Edinburgh Awards Scheme; Ladies Club; Ladies Fellowship; Harriers Gym Club; Stoke Singers; Filtones; Pitman Training; Harriers Acrobatics & Gym Club; Kite Flying; Majorettes; Marine Cadets; Music with Mummy; Sea Cadets; Rowing; Multiple Martial Arts; Orienteering; Sole Sisters; North Bristol Aviation Enthusiasts; Art; Bee-keeping, Birds, Boules, Canoeing; Chess; Crafts; All types of Dancing from Old Tyme to American Square and Border Morris; Film, Keep Fit, Gingerbread, Hawk and Owl Trust; Gardening; Ladies Groups; Model Clubs; Motorcycling; Philately, Camera Club; Radio; Railways; Whist, Writers Groups and last but not least the Young Farmers.

For more information about activities in Bradley Stoke please visit our website

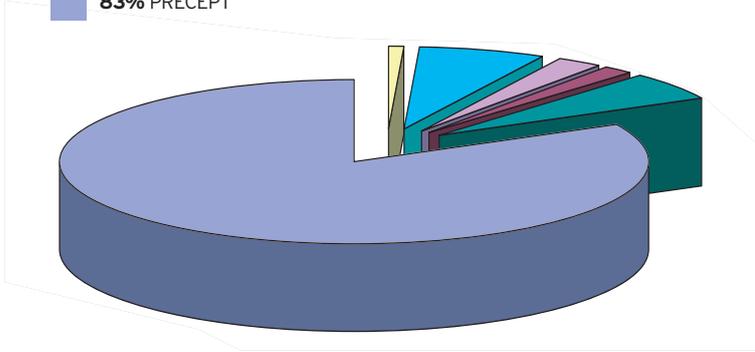
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FINANCE

2007/8 INCOME 31ST MARCH 2008

- 1% BSTC / NON ACTIVITY CENTRE ACTIVITIES
- 7% BRADLEY STOKE JUBILEE CENTRE
- 2% BROOK WAY ACTIVITY CENTRE
- 12% BAILEYS COURT ACTIVITY CENTRE
- 5% BANK INTEREST
- 83% PRECEPT



TOWN COUNCIL GRANT AID 2007/2008

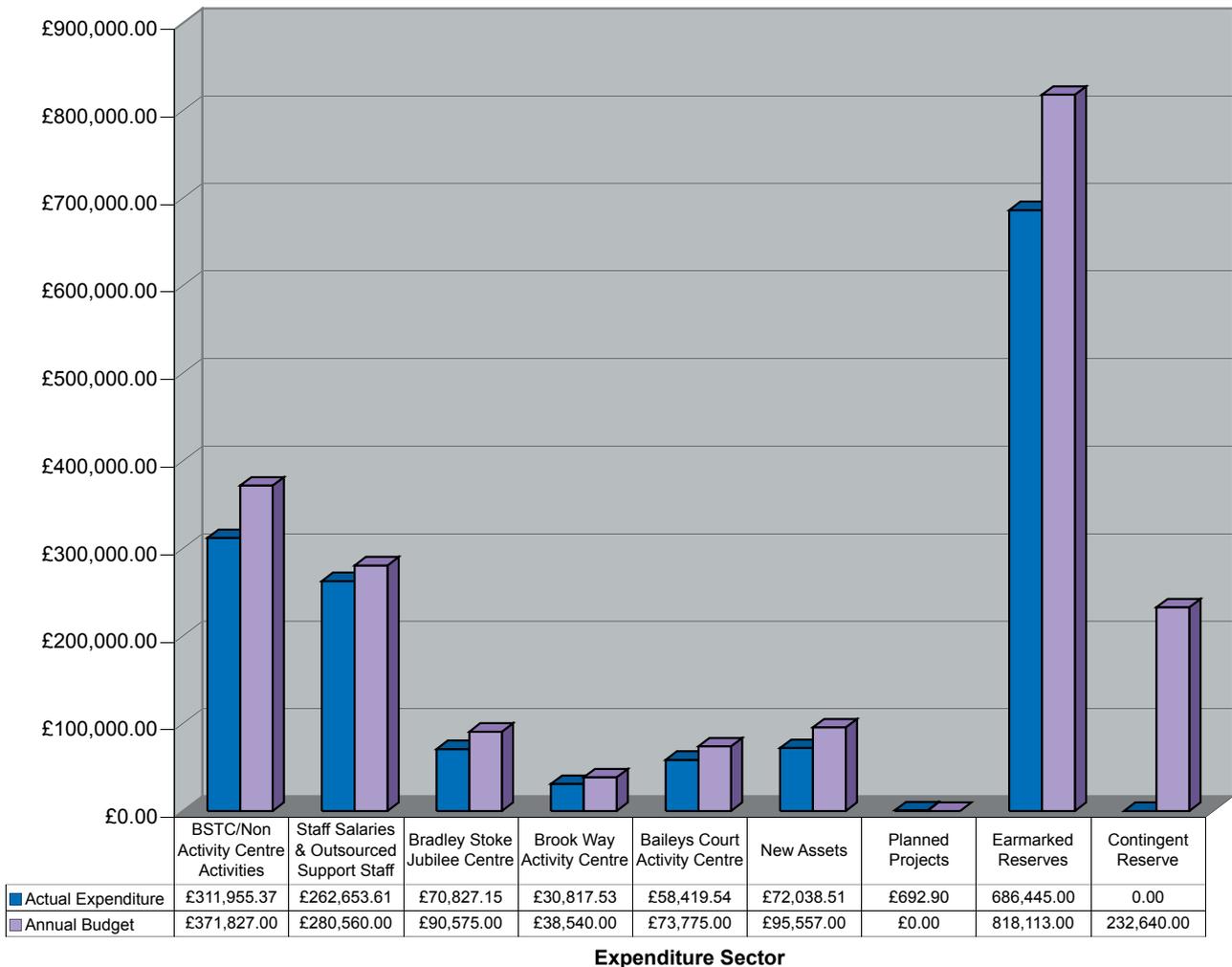
Grant Aid was awarded to Sole Sisters, Bradley Stoke Library, Holy Trinity Church, Bradley Stoke, Stokes Singers.

SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT FUNDING 2007/2008

Service Level Agreement Funding was given to Victim Support, Four Towns Transport, Four Towns Play Association (ex Patchway & Bradley Stoke Play Association), Patchway, Filton and The Stokes Volunteer Bureau, Freespace, South Glos Chinese Association, Bradley Stoke Town FC.

Additional funding was also given to: Citizens Advice Bureau for a dedicated weekly service in Bradley Stoke, Southern Brooks Community Partnership (ex P&BS CDP and P&BS CDP (Youth)), Night Bus and Sole Sisters.

COMPARISON OF 2007/8 EXPENDITURE AGAINST ANNUAL BUDGET 31ST MARCH 2008



THESE FIGURES WERE CORRECT AS AT 8 APRIL 2008. FURTHER ACCRUALS ARE TO BE APPLIED AND FURTHER FINAL YEAR END AUDIT ADJUSTMENTS WILL ALTER THE FINAL FIGURES WHICH WILL BE LODGED IN THE 2007/8 AUDIT LATER IN JUNE/JULY 2008.

COUNCIL MEMBERS AT 31 MARCH 2008 AND CONTACT DETAILS

COUNCILLOR NAME	WARD REPRESENTED & PARTY REPRESENTED & MEMBERSHIP OF TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEES	CONTACT DETAILS
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ATTENDANCES FOR BSTC COUNCILLORS 2007/2008

COUNCILLOR	ATTENDANCE OVERALL**	COUNCILLOR	ATTENDANCE OVERALL**
John Ashe*	55%	Sandra Hobson	33%
Roger Avenin	80%	Brian Hopkinson*	82%
Julian Barge	73%	Robert Jones*	82%
Morgan Baynham	60%	Sarah Pomfrey*	73%
Caroline Charlton	64%	David Skeet	55%
Ronnie Conway Haskins	100%	Dr. Elizabeth Todd	91%
Keith Cranney*	60%	Benjamin Walker	80%
Mark Forsyth	80%		

* = SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE COUNCILLOR WHO MAY NOT ALWAYS BE AVAILABLE FOR TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS
** = % ATTENDANCE OVERALL ON THE COMMITTEES TO WHICH THE MEMBER HAS BEEN APPOINTED.
COMMITTEE DATES: MAY 2007 TO MARCH 2008.

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Mrs Lesley Osborne, Deputy Town Clerk
Miss Rachel Pullen, Responsible Finance Officer
Mrs Pat Louca, Finance Admin/Bookings
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Mr John Rendell, Activity Centres Manager
Miss Vicky Davies, Administration
Mrs Vanessa Walters, Administration
Mrs Sue Clark, Administration

ACTIVITY CENTRES STAFF

Mr Bill Walton, Mr Richard Burdge
Mrs Patricia Harris
Mr Jack Robinson, Miss Elaine Bezer

NOTICE OF MEETING

**BRADLEY STOKE TOWN COUNCIL
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

Bradley Stoke Town Council Annual Town Meeting

7.30pm Wednesday 14 May 2008

Bradley Stoke Jubilee Centre, Savages Wood Road

Council Members welcome all those attending to stay for light refreshments after the meeting.



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