



Befriending the Library

Braunton Library now has the strong support of a Friends group, widely recognised as essential to secure its immediate future and its development.

The Friends of Braunton Library was successfully launched at an enthusiastic public meeting on 18th October. The new Devon County Council proposals were given a warm reception for offering Braunton and other libraries an attractive future with welcome opportunities for local involvement. The library service we know and love, run as part of a Mutual from 2016, will be able to achieve savings not otherwise available, and be freer to benefit from the drive and energy of the community.

An early first task for the Friends will be to apply to be one of 10 Pilots during 2015 in order to attract County investment in technology aimed at extending opening hours and freeing staff time for working more with readers old and new.

We aim to reach out to all sections of the community. If you want to be part of this exciting future for the library please join Friends, nearly 50 already have. There are forms in the Library, with more information about us. We suggest a donation of £1 to get us going, but welcome more.
Paula Ferris Acting Chair
Friends of Braunton Library

Car Park Permits

Car Park permits are available for the overflow area in Caen Street car park for only £175 per annum. They are available for people living outside the parish as well as in Braunton. This represents good value for money if using the car park on a regular basis at under £3.50 per week. For further details please contact Jane at the Braunton Parish Council Office.

Know your Councillors

West Ward:

- Cllr Robert Anderson**, Winsmead, West Hill, Braunton, EX33 1FE 07812 104034
- Cllr Mrs Elma Blackmore**, Kenelm, 8 Homer Road, Braunton, EX33 1DS (01271) 814549
- Cllr Mrs Jasmine Chesters**, 1 South Park, Braunton, EX33 2HT (01271) 813357
- Cllr Mrs Caroline Chugg**, Wysteria House, 2 Willoway Lane, Braunton, EX33 1AS (01271) 815820
- Cllr Lord**, 4 Mill Stile, Braunton, Devon, EX33 1EN (01271) 816296
- Cllr Mrs Trish Parsons**, 5 Mill Stile, Braunton, EX33 1EN (01271) 269461
- Cllr Mrs Marguerite Shapland**, Bartley House, 21 Church Street, Braunton, EX33 2EL (01271) 814082

East Ward:

- Cllr Robin Bonds**, South Lea House, Lower Park Road, Braunton, EX33 2HS (01271) 812304
- Cllr Ian Gilbert**, 27B South Street, Braunton, EX33 2AA (01271) 815340
- Cllr Roy Lucas**, 4 The Sidings, South Street, Braunton, EX33 2AA (01271) 816081
- Cllr Mrs Sally Smith**, Stepstone Cottage, Stepstone Lane, Knowle, Braunton EX33 2NB (01271) 816950
- Cllr Derrick Spear**, Ithilien, Coril Head, Braunton, EX33 2EW (01271) 812643
- Cllr Mrs Elizabeth Spear**, Ithilien, Coril Head, Braunton, EX33 2EW (01271) 812643

Meetings Calendar 2014

Full Council Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month and additional meetings, to primarily consider planning applications are held on the fourth Monday of each month.

- 7pm Monday 24th November 2014 Additional Council Meeting
- 7pm Monday 8th December 2014 Full Council
- 7pm Monday 22nd December 2014 Additional Council Meeting
- 7pm Monday 12th January 2015 Full Council
- 7pm Monday 26th January 2015 Additional Council Meeting
- 7pm Monday 9th February 2015 Full Council

Parish Council Office Opening Hours

9am-12 noon, Monday to Friday
Christmas Closing Dates
December 24th 2014 12 noon
Reopen January 5th 2015 9am

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BRAUNTON PARISH COUNCIL

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **Velator Quay Completion**
- **Braunton Late Night Shopping**
- **Village Clean Up**
- **New Veterans Coffee Drop In**
- **Mobile Library Dates for 2015**
- **Parish Hall Christmas Diary Dates**
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Velator Quay Completion

A project to improve Velator quay in Braunton is now complete. The existing quay and sea walls have been removed leaving the riverbank in a 'natural state' graded to a stable slope and planted with local grasses and plants. A floating pontoon has also been installed to enable boats to load and unload and will greatly increase the use of the quay by all groups within the community.

The Parish Council were given approval in 2011 to carry out a scheme to naturalise the quay, securing match funding of over £58,000 from Northern Devon Fisheries Local Action Group (FLAG). Peter Lord, Co-ordinator of the project says "Naturalisation will not only make the quay safe but will make the area more attractive and usable for locals and visitors".

Enhancements to the existing coastal path will also be carried out, benches provided as well as interpretation boards explaining the historic quay and fisheries information.

The Chairman of Braunton Parish Council, Cllr Mrs Blackmore says "This is a great facility for Braunton, the village has a rich history in the shipping industry and this project will encourage tourism and enhance local fishing".

The project has been part financed by the EFF: European Fisheries Fund – investing in sustainable fisheries and MMO: Marine Management Organisation.



Braunton
Late Night Shopping
19th December 2014

The Village Carol Service will be held at 6pm in the Parish Hall Car Park. Come down to the Village and join in the Christmas cheer, have a look around the shops, pop in and have a drink or snack in one of the many eateries.



PARK FOR FREE IN BRAUNTON
13th, 19th, 20th DECEMBER

Shop locally this Christmas and park for free in the **Braunton Parish Council** run **Caen Street** car park on Saturday 13th, Friday 19th and Saturday 20th December 2014.

Village Clean Up

Braunton Parish Council has secured Town and Parish (TAP) funding to help clean up the village. The TAP fund is a grant set up by Devon County Council and North Devon Council, which allows town and parish councils to claim £1.10 per elector in their parish towards approved projects.

The Parish Council is currently carrying out a Mobile Lengthsman scheme in the village and works carried out to date include:

- weeding and removing brambles throughout the village
- cutting hedgerows
- removing basal growth and crown lifting trees on Exeter Road and Ilfracombe Road
- Removing rubble from the river
- Street sign cleaning
- Unsilting drains

There are still some funds left so if you know of any areas in Braunton that need tidying up please contact the Parish Council office on 01271 812131 or email:

braunton_parish_council@northdevon.gov.uk

New Veterans Coffee Drop in

Veterans Peer Support, formerly known as FV2, is running a coffee drop in every Wednesday at the Williams Arms, Braunton 1pm-3pm. This drop in is free to all veterans and their families and a warm welcome is assured. They also operate under the 'umbrella' of Devon Partnership NHS Trust. If anyone would like more information, please contact Lin Wheelan (Secretary) at l.wheelan897@btinternet.com or on 07929 923457 or Dan Fielding (CEO) on 07769 902688.

Mobile Library Dates

From January 2015 the mobile library will visit every 4 weeks arriving at the Ebrington Arms in Knowle at 10am and departing at 10.30am on the following Thursdays: Jan 8, Feb 5, Mar 5, Apr 2 & 30, May 28, Jun 25, July 23, Aug 20, Sep 17, Oct 15, Nov 12 and Dec 10. The new timetable for 2015 is available at www.devon.gov.uk/libraries



Braunton Parish Hall Christmas Dates for your Diary

Sat 22 Nov	Farmers Market 9am-12 noon
Sat 29 Nov	St Brannocks Christmas Fair 10am-12 noon
Sat 6 Dec	Cancer Research Christmas Coffee Morning 10am-12 noon
Sat 13 Dec	Braunton Museum Christmas Coffee Morning 10am-12 noon
Sat 20 Dec	Royal British Legion Christmas Coffee Morning 10am-12 noon
Mon 22 Dec	Farmers Market 5pm-6pm

Save Braunton Youth Club

The group of volunteers behind the 'Save the Braunton Youth Club' campaign are preparing to re-open Braunton Youth Club. There are no fixed dates at the moment but when they do open, the sessions will run on a Monday and Thursday evening, from 6.30 pm to 8.45 pm.

The Committee have a small group of very dedicated, enthusiastic volunteers who have worked very hard to ensure that when the Youth Club does open, it will be a fantastic facility for the young people of Braunton.

The Committee would love to enrol some more volunteers to help at the weekly sessions. However, if you are unable to commit to weekly help, we would be more than grateful if you could offer your time even once or twice per month.

If you would like further information regarding what is involved with becoming a volunteer for Braunton Youth Club, you can contact us in several ways:

Email: brauntonyouthclub@hotmail.co.uk

Phone: Katie Major (Club Secretary) on 07966 062614

Facebook: search 'Save Braunton Youth Club'

Website: www.brauntonyouthclub.co.uk



Flooding - Plan, Respond and Recover A free community advice event

As you are in a community at risk of flooding, please come along to this event to get practical advice and information, as well as meet our local responders and share your experiences.

- **Tuesday 25 November 2014 6pm - 9pm**
- **Braunton Academy, Barton Lane, Braunton, EX33 2BP**

The free event will involve hands-on workshops, presentations and information from various partners, including:

North Devon Council
Devon County Council
Environment Agency
Devon and Cornwall Police
Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service



Refreshments will be available. If you would like to attend, please Email communities@northdevon.gov.uk phone **01271 388862** or go to Facebook 'Flooding and severe weather advice for North Devon'.



We need on-call firefighters in your community

Do you live or work within five minutes of Braunton Fire Station?

If so, you could become part of our team of professional men and women responding to emergency call-outs in your area.*

* You will receive a retaining fee and hourly rate.

Call Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service on 01392 872294 for further info (Monday to Friday 9.00am - 5.00pm) www.dsfire.gov.uk

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

Devon County Council Highways
01392 383329

North Devon Council 24 hour emergency line 01271 388240

Environment Agency Incident Hotline
0800 807060

Environment Agency Floodline
0845 9881188 (call Floodline to register to be alerted in the event of a flood)

Sandbags....are available from:

Parish Council Offices during opening hours
(01271) 812131

Braunton Library during opening hours
(01271) 812808

West Cross Garage on Chapel Street
24 Hrs (01271) 812295

CHRISTMAS TREAT EVENING

Isaac Hall, Braunton Academy
Friday 21st November 2014
7pm – 10pm



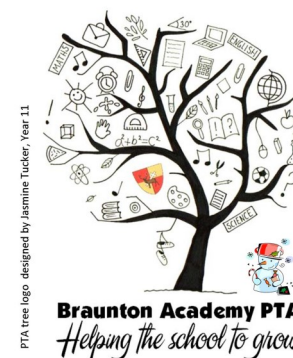
Come and enjoy a glass of wine and a mince pie, whilst experiencing one of the many pamper sessions, then browse the numerous stalls full of lovely local gifts for Christmas!

Please come & enjoy a lovely evening!

All proceeds will go towards resourcing the new Learning Centre within the Academy.

Only £3 per ticket
from reception or on the door

Rent a table for just £10
contact Sam on 812221 #1



Braunton Academy PTA
Helping the school to grow

