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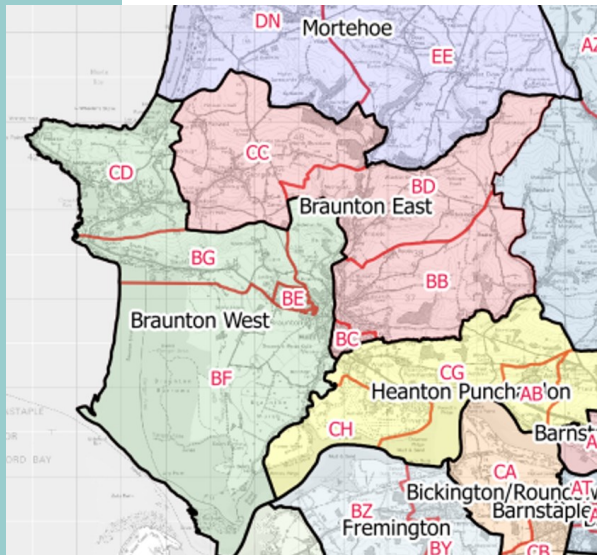
Electoral Review of North Devon: Warding Arrangements

The District Council have now provided two alternative maps proposing different re-warding arrangements for North Devon.

Braunton Parish Council expressed its concerns at the District Council's proposal to remove Knowle out of the Braunton East Ward and into the Georgeham and Morteohoe Ward, resulting in the remainder of Braunton becoming a 3 member single ward. The Parish Council would strongly support the District Council's alternative proposal, to maintain a 2 member East and West ward in Braunton which would retain Knowle and also include Georgeham. This proposal would not only maintain the integrity of an already thriving community but would provide a fair and more balanced distribution of electors to members, delivering electoral equality.

There is a strong case for Georgeham to become part of the Braunton District Wards.

Georgeham's southern boundary neighbours Braunton, the same as Knowle it looks to Braunton as the central hub providing many public facilities, linking the community to local services and enriching lives. Braunton rural as referred to in existing documents and funding schemes such as the Town and Parish Fund already encompasses Braunton, Knowle and Georgeham. Furthermore, they have the same appointed County Councillor who represents them. (Continued on opposite page)



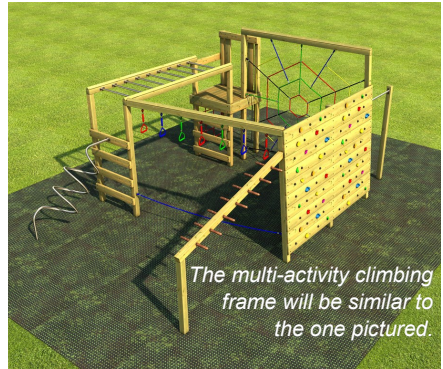
We understand from the District Council that there will be a parish boundary review next year. We are concerned that if communities such as Knowle are ripped out of their existing district wards, as a result of this current review, that this will impact on the future parish

boundary review and Braunton could end up not only losing Knowle as part of its district ward but also as part of its existing parish. Following extensive consultation with residents, Knowle have no desire to be removed from the District Braunton East Ward.

New Play Equipment

Braunton Parish Council has drawn up plans for some exciting new play equipment in two of its play parks, Mowstead and Chaloners Road. The new equipment will include a new basket swing in each park, a pirate ship at Mowstead, and a toddler duo rocker and multi-activity climbing frame at Chaloners.

This equipment will be funded by Braunton PC, North Devon Council (S106 funding) and Devon County Council - Investing in Devon.



For further details please see the Autumn edition of The Braunton Express available on our website or at Braunton museum or the library.

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Meetings Calendar 2017/18

Full Council Meetings are held in the Council Chamber at the Parish Hall 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 (Tues) 14 November 2017

7pm 27 November 2017

7pm 11 December 2017

7pm 8 January 2018