

Broughton and Milton Keynes Parish Council

Newsletter

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Parish Councillor Vacancies

Are you passionate about your community? Do you want to help make a long-lasting change? Do you have innovative ideas for the council? Do you have concerns about a specific issue and want to do something about it? If this is you, then we need you. We need people from all backgrounds and experiences who reflect their community to put themselves forward to become a Parish Councillor. Make a change and become a councillor.

We currently have five vacancies, so why not pop along to a meeting and see what it's all about!

Summer Holiday Activities!

We are currently putting together a jampacked Summer of fun for our younger residents! These sessions will be available to children living in the parish (proof of address will be required) more details on Page 6.

All dates will be announced on social media and our website closer to the time!

Annual Residents Meeting

A BIG thank you to every resident who came along to our Annual Residents Meeting, over 100 of you in fact!

The main purpose of the event was to

showcase Broughton Pavilion and all its users, who were all invited to attend. We also used the opportunity for our councillors to chat with residents and for residents to air their views with us. The stall holders were kept very busy with all your queries, and all said how lovely the event was and enjoyed talking with residents about various issues, Thames Valley Police, The Parks Trust, Wheelie Bins on Tour, and Milton Keynes University Hospital were all very busy! Our two charity stands Girl Pack & Supershoes, also told us that they have made new connections with residents and other organizations, making it a very fruitful event all around. This is an annual event, and we are already looking forward to next year!

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Allotment Availability

The allotment waiting lists have now reopened. If you are keen to grow your own produce and are interested in a plot at either, Broughton, Broughton Gate or MK Village then please go via our website and fill out an allotment waiting list form.

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Clerk's Report - Karen Hill



Welcome to the first edition of our enhanced, larger newsletter. Eight pages packed with local information and news.

We have been based at Broughton Pavilion for over 3 months now, and are settling in well. Hopefully, you will have noticed lots of changes and additions. There are two new benches outside the front of the building that overlooks the brook and the suspension bridge, these are perfectly placed for a top-up of sun on a good day! The new cherry tree on the green in front has burst into leaf and hopefully will be blooming by the time this newsletter lands on your doorstep and our three new planters are packed with bee-friendly lavender! During term time we host daytime and evening classes, we have seasonal weekend sporting fixtures on the field and we are still supporting a warm spaces friendship group as well as a community café facility. We have plans to increase the sporting use of the larger hall by supplying new equipment (watch this space) and we hope that by summer there will be facilities for spectators to use as well.

May was a busy month with elections, the Council's annual residents meeting to organise, and the Coronation. We gave out several grants to fund Coronation Street parties and they were all well-attended and great fun despite the weather! As we move forward towards summer our Community Engagement Officer is planning lots of activities for the youth during the holidays – now all we have to do is keep our fingers crossed for lots of sunshine!

On a final note – my thanks again to everyone in the communities in our parish. Keep investing in your community and keep us informed. Together we make a difference.



Chair's Report - Gary Brighton



Dear resident, since the start of the year we all watched with anticipation for the start of Spring to bring us out of the cold winter and as nature blossomed around us, I was equally delighted to see the Parish Council's new home, Broughton Pavilion, also spring into life. Whilst it officially opened for the pre-school last September it has only been since the start of the year that we have been able to welcome back the large number of regular users that truly make it a community building. Thanks to the sterling work of our Clerk, Karen Hill and our Community Engagement & Communications Officer Lynn Maddocks, we have seen Cubs, Scouts, Brownies and Beavers return alongside Cha Char Chimps and Little Amigos for the youngsters. On the sports field, we are delighted to host the MK Warriors cricket team for another season as well as a growing number of football training clubs. Moving forward the team have also begun taking bookings for private events. Seeing the building so bustling with life after such a long period of underuse is such a pleasure.

At the end of April, we bid a sad farewell to one of our longest-standing Councillors, John Bint. After many years of public service, as both a Ward Councillor for the Conservatives and a Parish Councillor John finally decided to pass on the mantle to others to continue his good work. I would like to publicly thank John for the genuinely huge contribution he has made to the Parish Council over the years, his encyclopaedic knowledge of all things planning will be sorely missed, as will his genuine passion to fight for both a Parish and wider Milton Keynes that is the best it can be for all its residents. You will be missed John, but we all wish you every happiness in your future endeavours.



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What's happening around the Parish



Regular Grass Cutting at Broughton Pavilion

The sports field at Broughton Pavilion has been receiving some much-needed TLC. After a good few years of neglect, we have spent some time getting the field in a much better condition, with regular cuts. We have also erected some signs stating that no organised sports are to be played on the field without our permission. Please be assured that you can still walk your dogs on the field, fly a kite or even have a kick around with the kids. These signs are to protect us (The Parish Council) from unauthorised access (encampments) to the field and to stop people using the field at the expense of all the residents who contribute via Council tax, for example, until a few weeks ago, a football team (from outside the parish) was using the field for weekly football practice. This regular use impacts the



ground, and can cause holes and divots which can make the ground unsafe for our residents and paying users, such as MK Warriors Cricket Team and Broughton Prep School. So please be assured, we are not being spoil sports, far from it, Broughton Pavilion Field is a great asset to this community, and we wish for it to stay that way for years to come.

Tuesday Afternoon Tea at Milton Keynes Village Hall





Did you know there's been a free weekly Tuesday Afternoon Tea session (2pm to 4pm) at Milton Keynes Village Hall since January? Everyone is welcomed each week with cuppas, cakes and crumpets. We've had a couple of themed afternoons, celebrating Valentine's Day and the King's Coronation, and a live music session.

Everyone has the opportunity to catch up with friends or make new ones; play a board game (Rummikub has become quite a favourite); try their hands at a jigsaw; or knit a blanket for the Ukraine appeal. And most recently a plant swap and grow a sunflower to photograph when it blooms!

These sessions are continuing thanks to the ongoing support from the Parish Council, the Village Hall Trustees, All Saints Church, and all the wonderful volunteers from the community.

Sessions will be running through to 18 July; breaking for summer holidays; returning on 5 September. If you haven't attended yet, please pop a note in your diary to drop in over the coming weeks or join us in the autumn If you'd like more information, or you'd like to meet one of the team beforehand to make it less daunting to come for the first time, please email mkvevents@gmail.com.

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Hiring Broughton Pavilion



We believe Broughton Pavilion is a lovely venue to host your regular meetings or classes. We have a big airy, light sports hall, a smaller community hall, and a small but well-equipped meeting room. All would be perfect for all sorts of activities. All the halls and rooms open up onto the field and there is decking for break-out sessions. There is ample parking and a welcoming foyer area where you can meet and greet your participants. We offer favourable hire rates.

To make Broughton Pavilion a success as a community hub, we need to encourage the use of the venue with different groups or sports. We know starting up a new class means building footfall attendance and so to help, we can offer any new group an introductory rate of 50% of the hire rate for up to 8 weeks.

We can also advertise and promote your classes/sessions/meetings on all our social media platforms as well as on our noticeboards and now offer advertising in this newsletter that drops into 8000 homes.

The chart below shows the booked slots in green and all current (at time of going to press) free slots in white.

AREA	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Small hall : Morning					
Small hall : Afternoon	FREE				
Small hall : Evening			FREE		FREE
Sports hall : Morning	FREE	FREE			FREE
Sports hall : Afternoon	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Sports hall : Evening	FREE		FREE		FREE
Meeting Room : Morning	FREE	FREE		FREE	
Meeting Room : Afternoon	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Meeting Room : Evening	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE

So ... do you fancy starting up a new social or exercise class? Need a place for your sewing or knitting group? Need a monthly space to hold your meetings in?

Why not pop in for a viewing and talk to a staff member about rates and availability. We are open Tuesday to Thursday between 10am and 4pm for viewings.



Whats on at Broughton Pavilion







Parish Council meeting night please check website for details.

All meetings start at 7:15pm

Tuesday

Broughton Community Café 9am till 2pm

> Lets Go TKD Defence 4.30pm till 5.30pm

Brownies 6.30pm till 8pm

Explorer Scouts 7.30pm till 9.30pm

Wednesday

Broughton Community Café 9am till 2pm

Little Amigos Baby & Toddler Group 9.45am till 11.15am

Thursday

Broughton Community Café 9am till 2pm

> Cha Char Chimps 10am till 11am

Broughton Beavers, Cubs & Scouts 6pm till 9pm



Friday

Warm Welcome **Coffee Morning** 9am till Noon

Saturday

Available to hire for Children's Birthday parties!



Sunday

Lion Pride Tang Soo Do 11am till Noon

















- Weddings
- Private Events
- Public Events
- Family Portraits
- Portraits/Fashion
- Headshots
- Business Portfolio

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Summer Holiday Activities





We are already looking forwards to the 6 week Summer holiday and have a few things up our sleeves to keep the younger residents (and their grown-ups!) happy! Keep an eye on our website and social media channels where we will list all the holiday activities closer







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MONDAY: 10 - 11

Biddenham Village Hall Nodders Way Biddenham, Beds, MK40 4BJ

TUESDAY: 10 - 11

Cranfield Village Hall 13 Court Road Cranfield, Beds, MK43 ODR

WEDNESDAY: 10 - 11

Middleton Centre 69 Silver Street Newport Pagnell, MK16 0EQ

THURSDAY: 10 - 11

Broughton Pavilion 139 Tanfield Lane Broughton, MK10 9NJ

FRIDAY: 10 - 11

Brooklands Community Pavilion Countess Way Brooklands, MK10 7HN



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- Co-operation
 - Confidence
- Concentration
 - Friendships



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Useful Information







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To contact any of our councillors please head over to our website where you will find all their contact details.

Wherever you are and whatever you are doing, you can keep up to date with what WE are doing on social media!

Facebook @BroughtonandMKParishCouncil Instagram @broughtonmkparishcouncil Twitter @BroughtonMK_PC











Community Contacts



Milton Keynes City Council General Enquiries - 01908 691691 Waste & Recycling Team - 01908 252570

Brooklands Pavilion - 01908 622885

NHS Direct - 111

The Parks Trust - 01908 233600

Anglian Water

Supply Problems: 03457 145145 Leaks: 0800 771881 (office hours)

Citizens Advice Bureau 0808 278 7991 (freephone)

Age UK Milton Keynes 01908 550700

Hummingbirds Childrens Centre 01908 609609



MK Foodbank

Helpline: 0300 303 4933 Text HELP to 07874 964 505 Helpline is open from 9:00 - 15:00 Monday - Friday

You can redeem your foodbank voucher at **Broughton Pavilion on TUESDAY or** THURSDAY between 10am and 4pm. Please remember to bring ID for every person you are claiming a parcel for. Thank you.

MK Foodbank - Food donations

We have a green box in reception where you can drop off your donations, between 10am and 4pm Tuesday to Thursday.





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