



**Broughton &  
Milton Keynes**  
PARISH COUNCIL

# Newsletter

Autumn Issue – September 2019

## Dates for your diaries >>>

### September

14<sup>th</sup> MK Food Fest @  
MK Pavilion Worrelle  
Ave 11am till 5pm

14<sup>th</sup> pride:MK  
@Campbell Park  
Noon till 10pm

### October

6<sup>th</sup> Broughton  
Community Litter Pick  
@Kemsley Crescent  
2pm

### November

2<sup>nd</sup> Milton Keynes  
Village Fireworks  
@6.30pm

3<sup>rd</sup> Brooklands  
Community Litter Pick  
@Saxonia Blvd 2pm

### December

1<sup>st</sup> Broughton  
Community Litter Pick  
@Kemsley Crescent  
2pm

For more details on  
any of these events  
please check out our  
Community Events  
Website page.

[www.broughtonandmk](http://www.broughtonandmk)



## What's on our radar....?

These are just a small portion of  
items we deal with on a regular  
basis:

- Devolution – Transfer of services from MKC – more info on page 2;
- Litter Bins – The parish council have budgeted for 10 new bins;
- Litter – An ongoing issue across MK – Go to page 3 for more info;
- Landscaping – Keeping Parish Council land attractive for our residents”?

## Welcome >>>

We would like to welcome Lynn Maddocks to the Parish Council staff team as our new Community Engagement and Operations Officer. This is an exciting new role we have created in response to our rapidly expanding parish and proactive progression towards more community engagement with our residents through various platforms.

Lynn joins us with a wealth of knowledge and experience in community engagement through her various roles within The Parks Trust, Milton Keynes Council, MK Play Association and Pre-school Learning Alliance and is looking forward to getting to know our parish.

Lynn will be looking after our digital marketing, allotment administration, planning & licensing to name but a few things to keep her busy! One of Lynn's first tasks is to get us on Social Media so please head over to our new Facebook page and give us a 'Like' to keep up to date with what we are doing in and around the parish.



## Social Media >>>

Find us on 

**Facebook - coming soon  
in September!!**

Please pop over and  
give us a like & share  
with your friends and  
neighbours.



[www.facebook.com/BroughtonandMKParishCouncil](http://www.facebook.com/BroughtonandMKParishCouncil)



## What is a Parish Council? >>>

A parish council is a local authority that makes decisions on behalf of the people in the parish. It is the level of government closest to the community, with the district authority (Milton Keynes Council) above it in the hierarchy. As it is the authority closest to the people, parish councils are usually the first place people will go with concerns or ideas. For this reason, they are a vital part of any community.



Photo credit: Elm workspace

Do you have any thoughts as to where you would like to see more litter bins or even what type of litter bins.....Fun bins, friendly bins or even talking bins!!

**NO MORE BORING BINS!**

Email us your ideas at  
[Info@broughtonandmkv-pc.gov.uk](mailto:Info@broughtonandmkv-pc.gov.uk)

## Devolution >>>

### What is devolution?

*“Devolution – the transfer or delegation of power to a lower level.*

### Why is it happening?

Central government cuts have forced Local Authorities to look at how they manage services and assets. These Local Authorities, such as Milton Keynes Council, whose tax-raising powers are capped – are delivering less services and maintaining less local assets than they formerly did. They are looking towards Local and Parish Councils to take over many of these responsibilities.

### What are the opportunities for this Parish Council?

- Devolution could enable the parish council to have more control over the services currently delivered centrally from Milton Keynes Council.
- It could allow us to work with and listen to residents to ensure the right services are delivered in the right way.
- It could provide greater freedom and flexibilities at a local level, meaning the parish council can work more effectively to improve public services for their area.

### What are the challenges for this Parish Council?

- Devolution is one thing for Town Councils like Newport Pagnell – which already have a larger staff base and significant precepting income – but quite another for smaller Parish councils like ourselves with just two office staff and a part-time contracted Warden.
- For Parish Councils like ourselves, wanting to see important local services and/or much valued local buildings, parks and open spaces preserved, it could require a massive step up – in aspirations, staff capacity, precepts and volunteer time.
- Added to which, we are required to meet the same legal requirements on a range of issues from transparency to data protection that much larger councils are required to meet.

### How will we keep residents up to date?

- Parish Council Meetings, held on the first Monday of the month, apart from Aug when we don't hold a meeting.
- Website – We will publish up to date information on a dedicated area of our website.

## Summer Play Sessions >>>



This year the Parish Council has again funded the Summer Play Sessions.

These free sessions were organised by Broughton & Brooklands Community Connectors and took place in various locations across the parish.

Activities were provided by Milton Keynes Play Association and MK Dons SET.



### Allotments>>>

#### Allotment sites

- ✓ Broughton Rd, Milton Keynes Village;
- ✓ Walton Rd, Milton Keynes Village;
- ✓ Kemsley, Broughton;
- ✓ Cranmore, Broughton Gate;
- ✓ Brooklands (coming end 2020)

If you are interested in an allotment plot or want us to keep your details on our waiting list(s); please contact:

[Info@broughtonandmkv-pc.gov.uk](mailto:Info@broughtonandmkv-pc.gov.uk)

## What's going on in the community >>>

### Coffee Mornings

A great opportunity to meet your neighbours and make new friends.

**All Saints Church in MK Village** hold a coffee morning on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month. 9.30am 'til 11.30am. Everybody welcome. Enjoy great coffee in a grade 1 listed building – What's not to like?!

Over in **Broughton** at The Pavilion, Tanfield Lane there is a coffee morning on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month. 10am 'til 11.30am. A chance to enjoy a cuppa, some homemade cakes and good company! Just drop in, on your own or bring your friends. (All money raised goes to charity).



### Parish Council Meetings >>>

**Full Council**  
**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October**  
**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**

All meetings start at 7:15pm and are held at The Parish Council offices at 27 Atlas Way, Oakgrove. MK10 9SG

### Consultations >>>

The public consultation for the Milton Keynes East Development is coming to an end at 5pm on 16<sup>th</sup> October. To have your say and be more informed use the link below

<https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/consultations/531>

Or pop along to a public exhibition on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 4pm – 9pm at Willen Pavilion, Portland Drive, MK15 9PJ.

Further exhibitions to be announced at Newport Pagnell & Moulsoe.

### Litter

As residents we all know that litter is an ever increasing problem across the Borough however, we all have a part to play in keeping our environment clean and tidy.

The Parish Council holds a number of litter picking kits; we are more than happy for resident groups to borrow this equipment if they would like to organise local events.

To do this contact Lynn on [Info@broughtonandmkv-pc.gov.uk](mailto:Info@broughtonandmkv-pc.gov.uk)



Photo credit: Litter Action

Register your group with Litter Action, a fabulous organisation whose aim it is to encourage as many people as possible to take action to help keep their community clean!

There are so many benefits to doing this and Litter Action can support you to make sure your group is running safely.

Let's work together to make our parish cleaner and have pride in our amazing community!



[www.litteraction.org.uk](http://www.litteraction.org.uk)

## Who's Who >>>



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## Parish Councillors - Representing the local community >>>

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**Broughton & Atterbury Ward** (includes: Atterbury, Broughton, Broughton Gate, Broughton Manor, Brooklands)



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Parish Councillors give up their own time and commit to working as volunteers on your behalf to make the community a great place to live.

We currently have vacancies in Broughton & Atterbury Ward. If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor then please head over to our website for more info or contact Vicky our Clerk on 01908 087499 for an informal chat or send her an email to clerk@broughtonandmkv-pc.gov.uk.