



TOWN TALK

Broseley Town Council's Newsletter

June 2018/2

Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Committee Chairs

At the Annual Meeting in May Councillor Michael Burton was elected as Mayor for the civic year 2018/19 with Councillor Ian West as Deputy Mayor. Councillor West is also Chair of the Planning Committee. Councillor Michael Garbett is Chair of the Estate Committee and Councillor Goodall is Chair of the Staffing Committee.

The Council's **Summary Annual Report** has been distributed with this newsletter. The full report is available on the Council's website or from the office.

Neighbourhood Plan

The consultation process is well underway. Everyone in Broseley should have received a questionnaire, but if the volunteer team somehow missed your address you can get replacement or extra copies from the Library. Alternatively, you can complete the questionnaire online by following the link on the Town Council website. Your views will help define the Neighbourhood Plan.

The responses will be published in July, at public meetings at the Victoria Hall. There will be a meeting on Monday, 9th July beginning at 6pm with a presentation at 6.30pm. A second meeting will take place on Saturday, 14th July at 11am, with the presentation at 11.30am.

FREE Summer Play Scheme

We are pleased to announce that the Council will again be organising a free summer play scheme for children aged 5 to 11 during the summer holidays. A variety of games, arts, crafts and activities will be on offer, with some special events planned.

Date: **Monday, 23rd July** until **Friday, 17th August**, weekdays only
Time: 10.30am to 12.30pm
Place: Birchmeadow Centre, Broseley

The sessions will operate on a drop-in basis, no need to book.

Friendly Bus – Queen's Award for Voluntary Service

We are delighted to report that the Friendly Bus has been awarded the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service (the MBE for volunteer groups). The award recognises the amazing work the dedicated volunteers carry out every day. Founder member and volunteer Liz Mars and Dan Hall, the youngest volunteer who helps maintain the vehicles, attended the ceremony garden party at Buckingham Palace to receive the prestigious award.

The Friendly Bus volunteers help people to get out and socialise, support them at medical and other essential appointments, take them shopping and so much more. The regular shopping trips are like a social outing – lots of fun and laughter on board! Members often describe the service as their 'lifeline': without it they would often be isolated in their homes. Congratulations to all involved and very well done!

Citizen of the Year and Young Citizen of the Year

Do you know someone who has made an outstanding contribution to Broseley and its community? Each year the Council makes an award to the person the members agree has made a real difference to the town, chosen from nominations that you send in.

There is also an award for the Young Citizen of the Year, who must be aged 18 or under and resident in Broseley. If you know a young person who has done something really worthwhile for the town and its community, please let us know.

Please send your nominations to the Clerk, by **Friday, 27th July**, saying who you would like to nominate and why.

Broseley in Bloom

The baskets and tubs around the town have now been planted up and are beginning to fill out. It would be really helpful if residents would keep an eye on planters near their homes and help to maintain them by pulling out weeds, removing litter and letting the BiB team know of any damage.

The recent Plant Sale was very well supported and raised over £1,100 – thanks to all who helped.

Judging for this year's **Garden Competition** will take place on 24th/25th July. The closing date for entries is 16th July and full details on how to enter will be advertised around the town and on the Broseley in Bloom Facebook page.

The Committee is actively seeking new members – if anyone would like to get involved, please contact Carol Cooper on 882715.

Broseley Festival

Another Festival has come and gone with thousands of people out on the High Street enjoying the music and the social life. Congratulations to the Festival Committee for a well-organised and trouble-free event and for such an efficient clean-up afterwards. Along with contributions from many other supporters, the Town Council provided a grant of £4,500 towards this year's Festival. We understand plans are already underway for the 2019 event.

Cleaning up in Broseley!

Recently, an enthusiastic band of volunteers has been helping to keep Broseley clean and improve the environment. The group has been gathering every fortnight and has cleared litter from many areas of the town including the Birchmeadow, the Jitties, High Street, Church Street, Coalport Road, Balls Lane, Lodge Lane and the Fiery Fields. As well as being good fun it's becoming a bit addictive for some members! The group usually meets on a Saturday morning and litter picks for about 1.5 hours; times and places are advertised on 'Broseley Totally Locally' so do go along if you have any time to spare. Sticks, bags and high viz are all provided.

This initiative builds on the good work already being done by others in the community. So a big 'thank you' to the people who pick up while out for a walk, to the Cubs and Brownies who recently litter picked around the town, to those who pick up other people's dog mess (amazing!), and to anyone who puts their rubbish in a bin. Thank you – every little helps!

Council Meetings

Full Council meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month at the Birchmeadow Centre at 7.00pm. Public participation is from 7.00–7.10pm. Agendas for all meetings are available from the Town Clerk and are displayed on notice boards and on the Council website.

| Town Councillors | | Town Clerk | |
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| Mr Michael Burton | 07980 419032 | Mrs Trudi Barrett | |
| Mr Roy Childs | 883510 | Broseley Town Council | |
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| Mr Mark Garbett | 883412 | Bridgnorth Road | |
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| Mr Alan Taylor | 07889 939398 | The office is open to the public on | |
| Mr Ian West | 882448 | Thursdays, 10.00 am–12.00 noon. | |

The MUGA needs a Chair!

At the recent AGM of the Multi-Use Games Area Group Mike Kaiser stepped down as Chair after 11 years' service. Sadly, nobody stepped up and the group needs someone to fill the position of Chair. It only takes about one hour each week and the friendly committee meets six to seven times per year. If you have an interest in sport and would like to support this valuable community facility, please consider taking on the role. More information from Mike Kaiser on 882684.

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Festival of Motorcycling

On Sunday, 5th August motorcyclists are invited to ride the historic route of the Coalport Hill Climb. There will also be a longer ride-out of around 14 miles through Ironbridge, Much Wenlock and Barrow. Entry is free but please pre-register at www.broseleyfestivalofmotorcycling.org

Summer Reading Challenge

The theme of this year's Summer Reading Challenge for children is '**Mischief Makers**', featuring a range of Beano comic characters. The challenge is for primary aged children – just call into the library for more details and to take part.

Broseley Partnership

At a meeting of the Broseley Partnership on 17th April the members agreed to allocate the remaining funds of £2,313.55 to the Church Heritage Project and to dissolve the Partnership. The Council would like to publicly thank members of the Broseley Partnership for their commitment and successful projects over the past 11 years.

Visit Broseley Website

To find out what's happening in the town, check the website: visitbroseley.co.uk You can also let people know about your group or event by providing details via the website.

Birchmeadow Centre

For information about events see: www.birchmeadow.org.uk

