



TOWN TALK

Broseley Town Council's Newsletter

Jun 2017/2

New Councillors

Following the local elections in May the Council has seen the arrival of some new faces. Your Town Councillors are:

Broseley East: Mick Burton, Simon Harris, Ann Maltby, Alan Taylor

Broseley West: Roy Childs, Lynda Garbett, Michael Garbett and Ian West

Broseley Wood: Gavin Goodall

Remaining vacancies will be filled by co-option.

Councillor Simon Harris was elected to serve again as Mayor for the current civic year with Councillor Mick Burton as Deputy Mayor.

The **Shropshire Councillor** for Broseley is Simon Harris and for Much Wenlock, incorporating Broseley Wood, David Turner.

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, 31st July** until **Friday, 25th August**, weekdays only

Time: 10.30am to 12.30pm

Place: Birchmeadow Centre

Little Owls are unable to run the sessions this year so we are pleased that The Little Sports Club have been engaged to run the scheme. Despite the name, that doesn't just mean sports! The sessions will operate on a drop-in basis, no need to book.

Events in Broseley Library

This year the theme of the **Summer Reading Challenge** for primary age children is **Animal Agents**. The free challenge runs through the school holidays and a couple of special events are planned for Broseley Library.

On **Thursday, 17th August** there will be a visit from the Dogs Trust (with sniffer dog) between 10.30am and 11.30am. On the same day, between 11.30am and 12.30pm a Police Forensics Officer will demonstrate some of the techniques used in their work, including fingerprinting. Just drop in for these free activities. Further details are available from the library on 01952 884119 or broseley.library@shropshire.gov.uk.

Next in the series of expert presentations with discussion is "**So which God don't you believe in?**" The event will be held on **Friday, 14th July** at 7.30pm in the Library. Light refreshments will be provided.

A further series of talks is being planned for the autumn.

The library is currently hosting a display on the **Broseley Pipe Museum**, provided by the Ironbridge Gorge Museums. The display includes photos, documents and artefacts connected with the history of the Pipe Museum. The display can be viewed during normal library opening hours.

Time to Listen and Rhyme Time continue to be held on a regular basis.

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, 28th July**, saying who you would like to nominate and why.

Broseley Pipe Works Needs You...

Broseley was once one of the largest pipe-making regions in the world. Broseley Pipeworks Museum is an evocative time capsule of the cottage factory which exported clay tobacco pipes throughout the world from the 1880s until the workforce seemingly walked out in 1957.

The Museum offers guided tours at 1.30pm and 3.00pm daily from May half term to the end of September and is looking for enthusiastic Volunteers to share this fascinating history with visitors.

If you would like to be trained to demonstrate the traditional art of pipe-making and/or would be interested in providing guided tours for small groups of visitors, please contact the Ironbridge Gorge Museum Volunteer Centre on 01952 601044 or e-mail volunteering@ironbridge.org.uk

Broseley in Bloom – Garden Competitions

Broseley in Bloom will be holding garden competitions in three categories this year: Best Private Garden, Best Frontage Display (mainly baskets and/or containers) and Best Business Display. Gardeners are not restricted to one entry. Entry forms are available from E Davis in the High Street or by e-mailing broseleyinbloom@hotmail.com and should be returned by Friday, 30th June. Judging will take place on Monday, 10th and Tuesday, 11th July in the early evening.

For more information contact Carol Cooper on 01952 882715

This year Broseley in Bloom will not be having an Open Gardens Day, instead they held a highly successful plant sale at the end of May, raising over £850 towards the cost of keeping the town looking lovely.

Friendly Bus in Demand!

The Friendly Bus are in desperate need of more volunteer car drivers in and around Broseley due to demand for their services. They have seen a huge increase in passengers who need transport to local surgeries, hospitals, to local shops, etc.

Volunteers will use their own cars but all transport costs will be covered, as will a DBS check and any training you wish to take up. If you are a car driver with a few hours to spare, they would be delighted to hear from you.

The Friendly Bus would also welcome volunteers to drive the minibuses. Full training is provided for this.

If you would like to know more please pop in for a friendly chat to:

57 High Street, Broseley, telephone: 01952 881145 or email: friendlybus@hotmail.com

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. Forthcoming dates are 11th July, 8th August and 12th September 2017. Agendas for all meetings are available from the Town Clerk and are displayed on notice boards and on the website.

Town Councillors		Town Clerk
Mr Michael Burton	07980 419032	Mrs Trudi Barrett
Mr Roy Childs	883510	Broseley Town Council
Mrs Lyn Garbett	883412	The Library Building
Mr Michael Garbett	883412	Bridgnorth Road
Mr Gavin Goodall	884502	Broseley
Mr Simon Harris	882003	TF12 5EL
Mrs Ann Maltby	882061	Tel: 01952 882172
Mr Alan Taylor	07889 939398	e-mail: broseleytc.clerk@btinternet.com
Mr Ian West	882448	website: www.broseleytowncouncil.co.uk
		The office is open to the public on Thursdays, 10.00 am – 12.00 noon.

CoCo Scheme

Broseley is a caring community often filled with small acts of kindness. However, there are still local people who get isolated or feel trapped in their homes. For over a year now, the Compassionate Community (CoCo) scheme has been working in Broseley to offer volunteers trained to provide regular contact with people who need more support. This could be a weekly visit for a chat or to help with a difficult task, to get out for a trip to the shops or to provide moral support in meeting someone. CoCo is now looking for more clients and volunteers.

To find out more contact the local CoCo coordinator: Helen Fair on 882854 or by e-mail: broseleycoco.org.uk.

Derrick Pountney

We are very sorry to report that Derrick Pountney passed away in April at the age of 92. Derrick was a familiar figure, often seen about the town in his shorts and walking boots. Derrick was a dedicated walker and for many years acted as Rights of Way officer for the Town Council. It is planned to erect a bench on Maypole Green in his memory.

Haycop Open Day

The Haycop will be holding its 10th anniversary Open Day on **Saturday, 1st July** from 2.00pm until late. Live music, craft stalls, bar, owls, Civil War re-enactment and more.

Broseley Local History Society

will be holding an Open Day on Saturday, 14th October in the Victoria Hall, High Street, Broseley, when they will be displaying some of the artefacts, old photographs and documents in their possession. If anyone has anything of interest they would like displayed at this Open Day, or for further information, please contact Gillian Pope on email: gill.h.pope@googlemail.com or phone: 01952 883960.

Visit Broseley Website

To find out what's happening in the town – events, clubs, restaurants, services and much more – don't forget to check the website:

visitbroseley.co.uk

