



TOWN TALK

Broseley Town Council's Newsletter

Dec 2016/04

Lloyds Bank to Close in Broseley

Customers of Lloyds Bank have been notified that the Broseley branch is to close on 28th March 2017. This decision has been taken without any consultation with customers or residents. The Town Council will be writing to Lloyds outlining their opposition to the closure of this valued facility in the town. Customers and users of the bank are urged to contact Lloyds with your views. The address to write to is:

Lloyds Bank
Customer Services
BX1 1LT

You can also contact Lloyds by phone on 0800 072 3572 or via the website:
https://secure.lloydsbank.com/retail/contact_us/how-we-can-help.asp

Local Elections next May

It's now less than six months until the next scheduled local elections for our Shropshire Councillor and Town Councillors. Information about the elections will be published in the spring and the elections will take place on 4th May 2017.

If you are interested in becoming a Town Councillor and would like to know more about what is involved, please contact the Council office. Nomination papers must be delivered in person to the Returning Officer by no later than 4pm on Tuesday, 4th April.

Highways Safety Concerns

Several times each year the Town Council has the opportunity to pass on a number of local highways safety concerns to Shropshire Council. We would like to encourage residents to pass on any concerns they may have about highways safety to the Town Council. Councillors will then consider the issues raised and forward the strongest of those to Shropshire Council for their consideration. If there are any highways matters you would like to bring up, please get in touch with the Council office.

Volunteers for Broseley Library

The Town Council is looking for volunteers to run two regular activities at Broseley Library: Rhyme Time and Time to Listen.

Rhyme Time sessions are for children under 5 and their parents/carers. The sessions last around 30 minutes and include stories, songs and rhymes. Appropriate resources are provided. The sessions are currently held monthly on Thursday mornings but time and frequency may be flexible.

Time to Listen is an opportunity for adults to come and listen to stories and poems read aloud in an informal and friendly atmosphere. The sessions have a theme

(e.g. music and song, childhood) and participants are encouraged to bring along their own literary choices to share with others. The volunteer leading the session would need to select suitable material in advance. Sessions last for one hour and have previously been held monthly.

Support and guidance would be provided for volunteers.

If you are interested in learning more about either opportunity, please contact the librarian, Mrs Julie Miller, on 01952 884119 or email: broseley.library@shropshire.gov.uk

New Surface for Library Car Park

The library car park has recently been re-surfaced as part of the arrangements for the transfer of the car park from Shropshire Council to the Town Council. The parking spaces have been widened for easier access, coach parking spaces have been created, the disabled bays have been moved to the front of the building and a parent and child space has been marked out. Please remember that disabled parking spaces are for disabled people with mobility problems.

Visit Broseley Website – visitbroseley.co.uk

Did you know that Broseley has its very own website? visitbroseley.co.uk is the place to list your events and activities, groups, clubs and societies, halls, centres, places of worship and meeting venues. And more – local businesses, services, pubs, restaurants and places to stay can tell locals and visitors all about themselves.

The website includes a calendar of events, details of regular activities and links to local information and websites. You'll find ideas for things to do, what to see and where to go in the Broseley area.

How do you register? Go to the website. If you are a group, society or club, send your details and events by following the links from the "things to do" page. If you're a service or local business, briefly describe and promote yourself. Don't be left out!

Reporting Anti-Social Behaviour

Anti-social behaviour is a fundamentally local issue that can have an extremely negative impact on people's quality of life. It can include graffiti and vandalism, playing loud music in the early hours of the morning, and offensive and threatening behaviour.

Shropshire Council and its partners take community safety concerns very seriously and really want to encourage people to report anti-social behaviour when it occurs. Reports of Anti-Social Behaviour can be made via the single reporting line on **0345 678 9020**. All calls are treated sensitively. Anti-social behaviour can be reported confidentially but in some cases details are needed in order to respond to the anti-social behaviour being reported and to provide support to the victim.

If you or someone else is at risk or a crime has been committed please call the police on 101, in the event of an emergency call 999.

Make more use of your MUGA!

Did you realise that Broseley's own first-rate, artificial soccer pitch is available for hire at the weekends and during the school holidays for as little as £15 an hour (special daytime holiday rate)?

Use it for a birthday party with a difference or just for fun. There has to be a responsible adult over the age of 21 present. The pitch is situated on the playing fields of Broseley C of E Primary School but must be approached for community use from the Birchmeadow Park on Cockshutt Lane.

To find out more or to make a booking, phone Ryan on 07814 900739 or Mike on 882684.

Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting for 2017 will be held on Thursday, 9th March 2017. Please note that this is a change from the date previously advertised. An agenda for this meeting will be available towards the end of February.

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 **10th January, 14th February** and **14th March 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 |
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| Mr Michael Burton | 07980 419032 | Mrs Trudi Barrett |
| Mr Roy Childs | 883510 | Broseley Town Council |
| Mr Andrew Cooke | 884083 | The Library Building |
| Mrs Lyn Garbett | 883412 | Bridgnorth Road |
| Mr Michael Garbett | 883412 | Broseley |
| Mr Simon Harris | 882003 | TF12 5EL |
| Ms Jean Jones | 882650 | Tel: 01952 882172 |
| Mr Ian Pickles | 882505 | e-mail: broseleytc.clerk@btinternet.com |
| Mr Dilwyn Scott | 884673 | website: www.broseleytowncouncil.co.uk |
| Mr Peter Smith | 884769 | The office is open to the public on |
| Mr Alan Taylor | 07889 939398 | Thursdays, 10.00 am – 12.00 noon. |

Local Joint Committee

The next meeting of Broseley & Barrow LJC will be held on Wednesday, 18th January. The agenda will include a report on traffic and highways issues as well as an update on the Everybody Active Every Day initiative.

Christmas Lights

A big thank you to the Christmas Lights Committee and all those who helped to make the lights switch-on event a success.

Entertainment was provided all afternoon in the Birchmeadow Centre while the Victoria Hall hosted Father Christmas and a variety of stalls. The streets were packed for the procession (this year with snow!), switch-on and fantastic fireworks display. If you would like to help out in any way next year, please contact Hilary Nelson on 07534 305576.

Winter Maintenance

Do get in touch if you spot a faulty street light or empty grit bin around the town. We rely on members of the public to let us know about these issues. We will try to resolve any problems as soon as possible.

Events at the Birchmeadow Centre

The BMC continues to offer a wide range of events and entertainment. The next big show will be the 2017 Panto, Rapunzel, to be performed between 26th January and 4th February. Tickets will be available from Downes Greengrocers from 3rd January.

To contact the Centre for bookings call 07880 721 388 or visit the website for more information:

www.birchmeadow.org.uk

Councillor Surgeries

David Turner, Councillor for Much Wenlock and Broseley Wood, will hold surgeries between 10.30 am and 12.00 noon on Saturday, 28th January at Shipton Village Hall and Saturday, 18th March at Much Wenlock Museum.

SC Councillor Jean Jones will not be holding any surgeries between January and March.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all
