

BRAUNSTONE TOWN COUNCIL



Cllr Nick Brown
Town Council Leader

Despite the uncertainty faced by many Councils, the Town Council continues to work hard to improve the services it provides to people living and working in the area while ensuring that we invest in our infrastructure for future generations. In 2016 we invested in improvements to Franklin Park Play Area and refurbishments at both Community Centres. The Town Council and its partners, including the sports clubs, are making good progress finalising plans for a major investment and refurbishment of the facilities at Shakespeare Park. Such projects have a large capital outlay, however, it provides for a further 40 year lifespan. The forthcoming year presents further challenges and uncertainty, with this in mind the Town Council approved its Capital Plan and budget for 2017/2018 at its January meeting. The Capital Plan highlights areas where we need to invest for the future in our parks and community facilities and the budget provides for this investment along with funds to protect and enhance valued local services. We recognise the importance of delivering services more effectively while saving money and to this extent we continue to invest in efficiency measures, for example, investing in more durable and longer lasting safety surfaces in our playgrounds, saving on annual maintenance costs. This approach is in accordance with our financial strategy, which has been unanimously supported by successive Councils. More details about our future plans and priorities is available on our website and from the Town Council Offices (*details at the foot of this page*).

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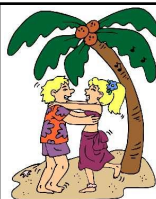


PUBLIC MEETINGS—DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

PLANS AND ENVIRONMENT	Thursday 9th February	7.00pm	Braunstone Civic Centre
POLICY AND RESOURCES	Thursday 23rd February	7.30pm	Braunstone Civic Centre
CITIZEN'S ADVISORY	Thursday 2nd March	7.30pm	Thorpe Astley Community Centre

THORPE ASTLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE: A CHANCE TO HAVE YOUR SAY

Braunstone Town Council values the opinions of our local community and encourages residents to have their say through the **CITIZENS' ADVISORY PANEL**. The Panel contributes thoughts and ideas on services and service improvements in the Town. The next meeting is on Thursday 2nd March and will be held at Thorpe Astley Community Centre at 7.30pm. One of the topics on the agenda will be how we make use of Thorpe Astley Community Centre, increasing bookings and use of the centre by the community. If you would like more information on the Panel, contact 0116 289 9270 or email: admin@braunstonetowncouncil.org.uk



Town Mayor's Caribbean Evening

Braunstone Town Mayor, Cllr Berneta Layne would like to invite all residents to her Caribbean Evening on 24th March, 7pm at Braunstone Civic Centre, An evening where you will dance the night away to the sounds of 'Carib'. Tickets £10 (incl. hot food and live band) available at the Braunstone Civic Centre. Net profits from the night will be donated to her chosen charity—Arthritis Research UK.

SPRING CRAFT FAIR SATURDAY 6TH MAY 11.00AM—3.00PM THORPE ASTLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE

If you would be interested in hiring a table at the event please complete and return booking form with payment. Booking forms are available at the Customer Services desk. The tables will be available at a cost of £12 each with all proceeds being donated to the Town Mayor's Charity – Arthritis Research UK



For more information please call 0116 2890045 or email anna.gomes-alves@braunstonetowncouncil.org.uk

LOCAL GROUPS INVITED TO RAISE FUNDS THROUGH EVENTS

Does your community group want to raise funds? Would you like to get involved in an event but need support?

Braunstone Town Council promotes the arts and Community Events by working in partnership with local groups and good causes. A number of events are held in the Autumn to Spring of each year. The Town Council underwrites the cost of each event and passes on the net proceeds to the local group or good cause. The Town Council produces a 'What's On' guide, maintains a mailing list, produces tickets and publicity material and helps to organise the events. The sponsored groups are asked to help run the event and assist with ticket sales. Groups can organise a fundraising raffle and/or provide refreshments at the interval. By involving the local community groups, a programme of well-supported events has been established. If you would like your group or organisation to be considered for inclusion in the next Programme of Events please contact Mrs Pauline Snow on 0116 2899270 or pauline.snow@braunstonetowncouncil.org.uk



What's on

'Brass at Springtime'
Ratby Senior and Youth Band
Saturday 18th March
7.30pm

Tickets - £5.00 Adults
£4.00 Conc.
Children FREE.
Braunstone Civic Centre

Cheese & Wine Soiree
Saturday 1st April
5pm
Tickets - £7.50 Adults
Children FREE
Braunstone Civic Centre

Community Quiz Night
Friday 7th April
7.30pm
Tickets - £6.50
Braunstone Civic Centre

DATES FOR YOUR DAIRY
SUMMER FETE 29 July
tel 0116 2890045 to book a table

Customer Service Shop, Braunstone Civic Centre

Monday – Friday, 9am – 5pm

Kingsway, Braunstone Town, Leicester LE3 2PP

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