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Chair's Welcome

Welcome to the Summer Edition of our Parish Newsletter. I hope you find it informative and entertaining.

On Thursday 4th May 2023, Stantonbury Parish had their four-yearly elections, and I am pleased to confirm I have remained as Chair and Carol Northwood as Vice-Chair. There are also the following additions/changes to our other Councillors. We would like to welcome Kevin Smith, our 4th member of our Bradville Ward, and advise a change of Wards for John Warren who goes from Bradville to Oakridge Park as a Co-Opted Councillor. After serving as Councillors for several years, neither Graham Davison nor Sara Agintas stood for election again. We would like to thank them for their commitment and service over the years. Both will be missed. We have placed an updated 'Your Parish Councillor' guide on page 3 showing myself and all my fellow Councillors, along with their contact

details should you wish to contact us.

On Sunday 7th May 2023, we held our Coronation Party at the Hub. It was attended by many Councillors and staff who worked hard to make the event enjoyable for all our residents, and we even managed to bring out the sunshine. For full details on the event, please see page 4.

This summer as usual is looking very busy for sports and play events. For our young football fans, we have teamed up this year with MK Dons and are providing 5 free sessions throughout July and August. For those younger residents who favour tennis & basketball, we have again teamed up with Martin White Football Factory. Both these sessions will be at the Community Hub throughout August. We are also pleased to confirm we have both MKPA and The Great Gappo joining us again around the parish for our free play sessions. So, if

you have young ones looking for things to do in Stantonbury, Oakridge Park and Bradville why not pop them along? We are providing two coach trips this year. One which recently went to Stow-on-the-Wold and Bourton-on-the-Water, the other is coming up on 10th August to Great Yarmouth. Tickets for this go on sale from 10 am 6th July 2023 so make a note in your diaries as tickets for all our trips sell out fast! For these and all other dates for your diary, please see pages 10 & 11.

We have a packed Summer Newsletter with lots of information and news on local projects which we hope you will enjoy.

Finally, we hope you all have a lovely summer!

Cllr Linda Morgan
Chair of Stantonbury Parish Council

Become a Councillor



We currently have Co-opted vacancies. One each for both Bradville and Oakridge Park

By becoming a co-opted Parish Councillor, you'll become someone your community looks to for help, guidance, and support. Parish Councillors are community leaders with the power to influence decisions for the benefit of the people they serve. Seeing your community change for the better, as a result of decisions you have helped to make, is something that can give you a sense of achievement and pride.

If you would like to apply to become a Councillor in the above areas and represent your community, please contact the office on **01908 227201** or **info@stantonburyparishcouncil.org.uk** and we will advise you of what is involved and how to apply, or you can contact Milton Keynes Council directly.

Annual Parish Meeting Meet your Councillors

The Annual Parish Meeting of Meet Your Councillors was held on 26th April 2023. Thank you to those residents who took the time to come along and discuss what specifically they would like the Parish Council to take forward in the coming year. We will keep you updated in the coming months.

The specific items that you requested are:

Q. Prioritise use of the Community Hub for Parish Activities

Q. Look at a way of advertising events as widely as possible throughout the Parish

Q. The Community Food Bank to be a priority for residents

Your Parish Councillors

Oakridge Park



John Warren
Co-opted Councillor
Oakridge Park Ward



Co-optee Vacancy
Councillor
Oakridge Park Ward

Stantonbury & Linford Wood



Carol Northwood
Vice Chair
Stantonbury & Linford Wood Ward



Sandra Kennedy
Councillor
Stantonbury & Linford Wood Ward



Paul Baxter
Councillor
Stantonbury & Linford Wood Ward



Derek Northwood
Councillor
Stantonbury & Linford Wood Ward

Blue Bridge & Bancroft Park

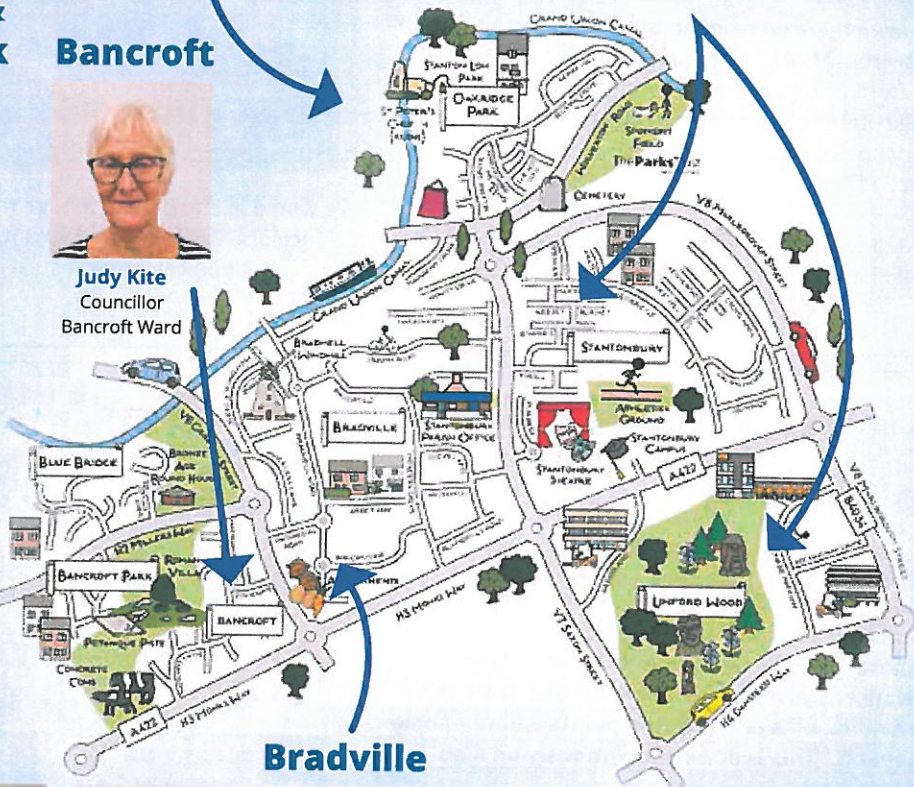


Linda Morgan
Chair
Blue Bridge & Bancroft Park Ward

Bancroft



Judy Kite
Councillor
Bancroft Ward



Bradville



Ann Ronaldson
Councillor
Bradville Ward



Abid Anwar
Councillor
Bradville Ward



Peter Kirkham
Councillor
Bradville Ward



Kevin Smith
Councillor
Bradville Ward



Co-optee Vacancy
Councillor
Bradville Ward

If you have any concerns you can contact the Councillor for your area by email, or alternatively contact the parish office and we'll forward your email onto the appropriate Councillor.

All email addresses are as follows:
c1lfirstnamesurname@stantonburyparishcouncil.org.uk

John Warren

Co-Opted Councillor, Oakridge Park

I have been living in Stantonbury for five years and visiting my family here for over forty years. When I first arrived to live here I noticed quite a lot of litter so I decided to start regular litter picking. I started a Facebook group about litter and spoke on local radio about it. I am also a MK Eco Champion looking at how we can live more sustainably in this area.

I will listen to local people and make sure that their views are heard. I would like to be able to influence decisions in the Parish Council for the benefit of the people I serve.

Kevin Smith

Councillor, Bradville Ward

I grew up in the North East of England but I have lived in Bradville since 1991. I have worked almost all my life in IT from back in the days when they were big enough to be housed in a special room, until now when they can fit in your pocket. For my shame, I only really started to take an interest in my local community, when I attended a meeting of the All Bradville Residents Association, at the request of a friend and left it as the Treasurer. ABRA have achieved a fair few things since 2019, and despite Covid and I am very proud to be the current Chair. It seemed a natural path to stand for the Parish Council, as it hopefully will offer further opportunities to help residents in Bradville and the wider parish.

Party at the Hub 2023-Coronation Celebrations!

This year on Sunday 7th June 2023, Stantonbury Parish Council decided to combine our Party at the Hub with King Charles III Coronation celebration.

The hall was decorated in coronation colours with balloons, bunting and Union Flag tablecloths. We had coronation-themed mugs and deeley boppers as give aways which you can spot in more than a few of our photos. The kitchen was filled with cupcakes, tea, coffee, and squash for all to enjoy.

On the front lawn there were inflatables, soft play, archery and tug-o-war from MKPA. Circus skills by The Great Gappo, facepainting from Crazy Faces by Jo, for the creative ones there were also items to create your own crowns ready, and for the hungry ones a food van all set up and ready for the fun to begin at 11am.

The weather started a little overcast but eventually the sun shone, the residents came, and a fabulous time was had by all!



We would like to extend a huge thank you to all the staff, Councillors, suppliers, and volunteers who all helped to make our Coronation celebration such a memorable day.

Knife Amnesty in the Parish

TVP and Stantonbury Parish Council recently held an event in the parish for people to hand in weapons or unwanted knives anonymously. These events are known as knife amnesty or knife surrenders. The aim is to remove unwanted knives and other weapons from the street by providing bins or collection points where people can drop them off. This is done anonymously on a no questions asked basis.

Collection points are typically placed in easily accessible locations.

Here in Milton Keynes they can be located at:
Milton Keynes Police Station Witan Gate
Westcroft Centre, Wimbourne Crescent
Frank Moran Centre Melrose Avenue west Bletchley

The majority of the time, knives are the most common item being dropped off in the bins or collection points but also collected in the past have been firearms real and imitation, CS canisters, knuckledusters, swords, crossbows etc.

The bins mentioned above are bolted to the floor with a letter box design meaning people cannot reach inside them and pull items out.

They are also ideal places to put any unwanted kitchen knives and garden bladed items in, knowing that the items will be disposed of correctly and kept off the streets.

When using these bins to dispose of knives or bladed articles please make sure that they are safely wrapped in newspaper or similar before putting in the bin.

If you have any information about the possession of knives or criminal activity relating to this type of crime please call 101 or contact crime stoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111

Parish Ranger Report - Keep Britain tidy

Every year the Parish takes part in the Keep Britain Tidy campaign. This March we litter-picked the whole Parish with help from the Councillors and Parish Guardians. We collected a total of 28 bags of litter totalling 160KG. Thank you to everyone that took part.



Supermarket trolleys

So far this year a total of 44 supermarket trolleys have been returned to the relevant stores. These are not only from the local supermarket, but from supermarkets across Milton Keynes. Please return your trolleys.



Fly tipping

Fly tipping is still a big issue throughout the Parish, and we are working with our enforcement team and Milton Keynes City Council to combat this issue together.



If you need household waste or bulky items removing, then please contact Milton Keynes City Council on 01908 252570 or email recycling@milton-keynes.gov.uk

Or alternately take it to the tip. You will need to book this before going but you are able to book on the day.

New Bradwell:

Newport Road, New Bradwell MK13 0AH.

Newport Pagnell:

North Crawley Road, Newport Pagnell MK16 9HG

Household waste

Please make sure that all household waste is put out after 5pm the day before collection. Or on the day before 7am. Any boxes must be broken down and placed into a clear recycling bag.

Rainbows Childrens Centre

Rainbows Children's Centre Bradville asked the Parish Council for help tidying their outside space. Councillor Judy Kite and I along with the Centre staff and other volunteers spent the day cleaning play equipment, sheds, and jet washing decking, play areas and fences.



Milton Keynes (Stony Stratford) Lions Club

Serves all the areas of North Milton Keynes

In 1925, Lions Clubs International promised Helen Keller to become 'Knights of the Blind'. This has led to the international adoption of the white stick as a symbol of the user's skills and talents, mobility and independence. It also allows the sighted person to recognize that the user is visually impaired. Today, across the world Lions are working towards the day when no one should suffer unnecessarily from vision problems. Through eye centres and hospitals, medicines and surgeries, eye glasses and eye banks, Lions are working to end preventable blindness and aid the visually impaired.

How can YOU help?

Have you any spectacles you no longer use?

In 1967 Chichester Lions Club began collecting old glasses for recycling. The initiative really took off in 1980 with a delivery of 700 sorted specs to the Missionary Optical Society (MOS) in Devon for use in their clinics in Kenya and India. Gradually other Lions Clubs started feeding their recycled spectacles through Chichester. So in 1985, a link was established with Le Havre Lions and Medico France. Over the following five years some 100,000 specs, 43,000 lenses, and 10,000 frames were sent to Medico France while still delivering to MOS in Devon as many pairs of sorted specs as needed.

In the first half of 1990, a national campaign with Boots the

www.stonylions.org.uk



Chemist and Help The Aged produced 460,000 pairs of specs in six months. Once sorted they went to places such as Cameroon, Senegal, Ivory Coast, Sri Lanka, India, Zanzibar, Jamaica, Bolivia, and Brazil.

Spectacle donations arrive in Chichester in boxes and bags of all shapes and sizes. They are expertly sorted by Lions members and volunteers. Those sent onto Medico France are then cleaned and graded for use in eye camps in Africa, India, and Eastern Europe.

Every year over 300,000 pairs of spectacles are sent to Medico France. Indeed, donations by UK Lions Clubs, recycled through Chichester, account for more than half of the total number of spectacles processed by Medico France. Your local Lions Club send over 500 pairs of spectacles every month which they collect from local opticians including Stony Optical in Cofferridge Close, Stony Stratford.



Knit, Natter, Arts & Crafts every Tuesday

Come along to The Community Hub,
Mercers Drive, Bradville, MK13 7AY.
between 11am & 2pm



THIS IS A FREE SESSION & EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

If you have any questions please drop us a message via Facebook or email

info@stantonburyparishcouncil.org.uk

FREE Tea & Coffee will be provided
as part of our Warm Space initiative.



Back in January of 2023 Stantonbury Parish Council, like many other parishes chose to provide warm spaces to be open to all to have hot food and drink in a warm and welcoming setting.

Discussions began as to how and where we were going to hold them and we chose here at the Parish Office, as well as in conjunction with Hanover Court in Stantonbury, Roman Park Residents Club in Bancroft Park and of course at the Community Hub.

After a few weeks one of our Councillors Carol Northwood mentioned she was quite handy with a pair of knitting needles and a crochet hook, and soon after with the help of our other Councillors the warm space at the Hub developed into the Knit & Natter group held every Tuesday between 11am and 2pm.

It has proved to be a great success with new faces attending every week and those who come to improve their skills also helping those who are completely new to the craft. Due to its popularity, the group will continue through to the end of June, have a summer break and restart again from September, weekly every Tuesday at the new time of 10am-1pm.

Keep an eye out on our social media for updates.

FRAUD



Becoming a victim of fraud can be both frightening and overwhelming. It can leave you with worries about money and also the feeling of loss of identity. Not knowing which way to turn to ask for help.

Please remember it is never your fault if you have been a victim of fraud. You are not to blame and there is no shame.

There is support from Victims First and Action Fraud all details and more information please go to www.thamesvalley.police.uk.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Criminals will try to get hold of personal information as this makes it possible for them to take out financial products like loans and credit cards.

- Treat personal information like your house or car keys. NEVER hand it over to strangers.
- Always be mindful about what personal information you share online.
- Only give out personal information after careful consideration.

SAFEGUARD YOUR FINANCES

Criminal will try different tactics to get to your finances. Warning signs include:

- Asking you to withdraw money or transfer to different accounts.
- Asking for your password or PIN. NEVER give this out.
- Asking you to purchase expensive items such as jewellery etc
- Asking for cash to check fingerprints.

CRIMINALS WILL USE THE TELEPHONE

- Threatening to have you arrested if you do not do something such as withdraw cash or transfer money.
- Recorded Message stating you have won a prize.
- Family member in trouble e.g., lost their phone when abroad.

CONTACT VIA EMAIL AND WEBSITES

This means that an email address can be made to look like it's from a genuine organisation. Just because it looks genuine does not mean that it is.

- Check that there is a closed padlock icon in the browsers address bar when paying online for items.
- Always take extra steps to be certain before proceeding and never provide copies of photographs or documents to a stranger online to a response to a request out of the blue.

CONTACT VIA DOORSTEP AT HOME ADDRESS

You may get doorstep callers offering services or products for sale. This can include people posing as bank officials or couriers.

- You are asked or pressured into handing over money at the door.
- You are asked or pressured to hand over bank cards or taken to a bank to withdraw money.
- Asked to let them have your PIN no.

These are just a few of the ways that criminals will try to get your money. They are becoming more and more clever in the way that they will try to make you hand over your money. If you feel something is wrong and does not feel right then STOP and say NO. Research that company or person before handing over money.

Information from your Neighbourhood PCSO C7039
Lesley Rogers.

Would you like to advertise in our Parish Newsletter?

Full page £130 + VAT
w 198mm x h 280mm

Half page £65 + VAT
w 198mm x h 138mm

Quarter page £33 + VAT
w 96mm x h 138 mm

Please email: info@stantonburyparishcouncil.org.uk or Tel: 01908 227201

**We encourage local groups and businesses within the parish to
advertise in this newsletter free of charge**



THE COMMUNITY HUB
MERCERS DRIVE, BRADVILLE, MK13 7AY

**READY FOR
HIRE**

All Details on how to hire the Community Hub
are available on our website:

www.stantonbury-pc-org-uk/community-hub



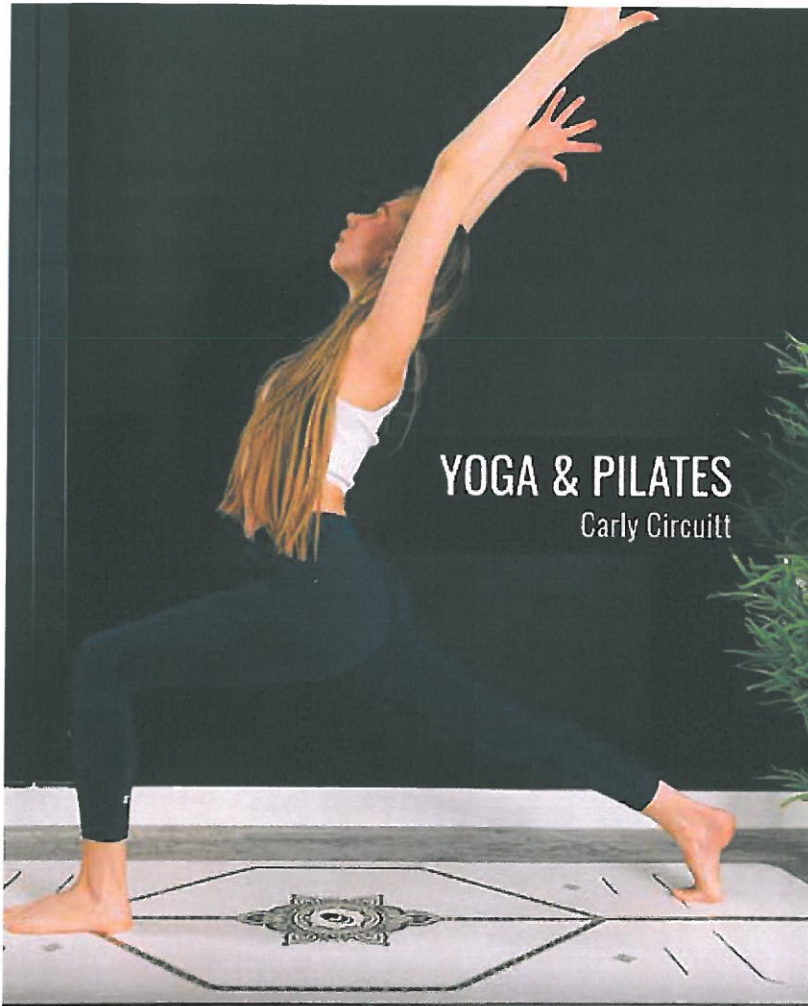
Over 50's Coach Trip to the Cotswolds

SPC organised an over 50's coach trip to visit both Stow-on-the-Wold and then Bourton-on-the Water in June. The sun shone brightly, and we travelled through glorious countryside until our first stop in Stow-on-the-Wold. Many of us spent a pleasant couple of hours wandering in and out of the many antiques shops, occasionally stopping for a well-earned rest at a tea shop.

At 12.30pm it was time to board the coach again and continue our journey on to our second and final stop-Bourton-on-the-Water. The pictures don't do it justice. It's a beautiful village with a gently, babbling stream running through the middle, edged with tea rooms and shops to visit if you want to, or if you prefer, there is lots of room to sit on a bench or put a picnic rug on the ground and watch the day go by.

Early evening came and it was time to return to Milton Keynes.

Overall, a good time was had by all and we look forward to the next trip on the 10th August to Great
Vermouth!



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Two Guinea Pigs

Janet Warren



I love the solar light,
said one guinea pig to the other,
it is lovely and bright
so we can see one another.

We spend so much time together,
I am glad that we get on,
I like it when you purr
then burst into song.

The accommodation is great,
I just love the spacious cage,
other guinea pigs would be jealous,
apparently they are all the rage.

I think our owners are very kind,
they'll soon be here with food,
they know lots of nourishment
keep us in a good mood.



I've heard them mention a cat
but it must be locked away,
although I thought I heard it
shrieking downstairs the other day.

Is good to have a a cuddle
when they come to clean us out,
maybe one day they will
let us go on a walkabout.

So all in all life is good
Don't you agree?
oh..... you have gone to sleep,
I thought you were listening to me!

SUMMER EVENTS 2023

Football with MK Dons

Dates	Time	Sport
Friday 28th July 2023	10am-12.00pm	Football
Friday 4th August 2023	10am-12.00pm	Football
Friday 11th August 2023	10am-12.00pm	Football
Friday 18th August 2023	10am-12.00pm	Football
Friday 25th August 2023	10am-12.00pm	Football

Location The Community Hub, Mercers Drive, Bradville



Tennis & Basketball

Dates	Time	Sport
Tuesday 15th August 2023	1pm-3pm	Tennis & Basketball Skills
Tuesday 29th August 2023	1pm-3pm	Tennis & Basketball Skill

Location The Community Hub, Mercers Drive, Bradville



Milton Keynes Play Association

Bouncy Castle, Zorbs and Wikidizer

Session times	Dates	Location
10am - 12.30pm	Mon 24th July	Cawarden Play Park, Stantonbury
10am - 12.30pm	Mon 7th Aug	Winchcombe Meadows, Oakridge Park
10am - 12.30pm	Mon 14th Aug	The Community Hub, Mercers Drive, Bradville



Circus Skills The Great Gappo

Session times	Dates	Location
10am - 12pm	Mon 24th July	Cawarden Play Park, Stantonbury
10am - 12pm	Mon 7th Aug	Winchcombe Meadows, Oakridge Park
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SUMMER COACH TRIP

GREAT YARMOUTH

Thursday 10th August 2023

Coaches Depart From: The Parish Office, 126 Kingsfold, Bradville, MK13 7DX - 7:45am

Coaches To Leave: Great Yarmouth - 4:30pm

Tickets go **ON SALE** on Tuesday 6th July from 10am at the Parish Office

TICKET PRICES

£7.50 per adult } Parish Residents
£5.00 per child }

£15.00 per adult } Non Residents
£10 per child }



MacMillan Coffee & Cake Morning

on Friday 29th
September 2023

Between 11am and 1pm

At the Community Hub, Mercers Drive,
Bradville, Milton Keynes, MK13 7AY.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

Please either email us on
info@stantonburyparishcouncil.org.uk or
call us on **01908 227201**.



Residents' E-newsletter

If you are interested in current news and events that are happening within the Parish, and want to know what new projects we are involved in, then please sign up on our website.

Or contact Jess Hardy on jess.hardy@stantonburyparishcouncil.org.uk or telephone **01908 227201**.



Don't Miss Out!

Follow us on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook!



Computers for Local Schools and Charities

In our Spring 2022 edition of our Newsletter, we brought you news of how we contacted a local company Motor Insurance Bureau (MIB) and together were able to provide over 70 reconditioned laptops.

Well, I'm pleased to say we have joined forces again. This time we have been able to offer brand new desk top computers, including a monitor to local schools and charities in the area.

During the weeks of June we were able to safely deliver them to their grateful recipients, which included Squirrels Childrens Centre, Wood End School and Stantonbury International School, along with local charities The Night Shelter and Age UK:MK. All of whom join us in saying a huge THANK YOU, once again to the staff of MIB without whose generosity and time this would not have been possible.



To 'outsiders' Milton Keynes is made up of Roundabouts and concrete cows, but we know much better about our lovely parks and the Redways which connect them.

In order to enjoy the Redways safely there are some simple rules

<https://getaroundmk.org.uk/cycling/where-to-ride/redways>

Respect other people

- Be polite and courteous. Consider the needs of others.
- Wherever possible, cycle on the left, walk on the right. Don't change direction suddenly and signal clearly while cycling.
- Take care when passing other people, slow down, allow plenty of room and use a polite audible method to signal your approach.
- Slow down at bends and all junctions and be prepared to stop when necessary.
- Only walk or cycle two abreast. Don't obstruct the Redway or stand in groups; allow others to pass quickly and easily.
- Don't use your mobile phone. It's safer to be aware of your surroundings especially of people approaching from behind.
- If you need to cross a redway in a vehicle e.g., to reach a private driveway, drivers should give way to pedestrians and cyclists. (Highway Code rule 206)

Take your litter home.

Keep dogs under control, preferably on a short lead.

Always clean up after your dog and get rid of mess responsibly.

Report problems on the redways – glass, potholes, lighting and vegetation to MK Highways.

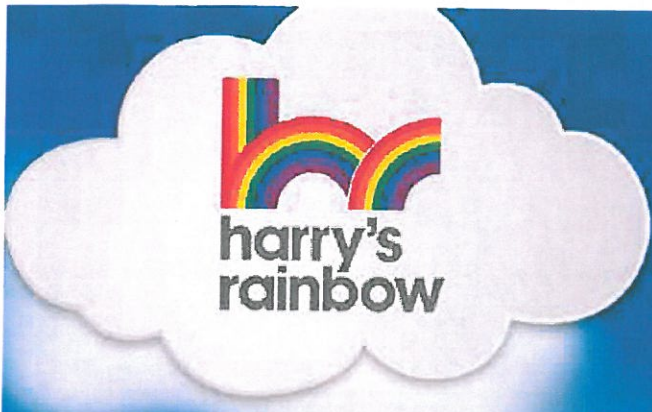
Redways and the law

Electric cycles which meet the EAPC Regulations 2015 are permitted to use Redways.

As Public Highway, all legal requirements and the Highway Code are applicable to the Redways: cycles should be road worthy and able to stop in an emergency; cycle lights are required at night. (H.C. Rules for cyclists 59-82)

All motor-powered vehicles including mopeds, mini-motos and motorcycles are prohibited from using Redways with the exception of authorised vehicles e.g., emergency vehicles and maintenance vehicles.

Away from the redways, pavements and footways are for pedestrians only. Cycling on the pavement is an offence which carries a fine of £500



FUNDRAISING EVENTS 2023



Saturday
1st July

TANDEM SKYDIVE

Feeling brave and want to tick skydiving off your bucket list? Jump for Harry's Rainbow and freefall through the clouds.

"That was the most amazing experience"

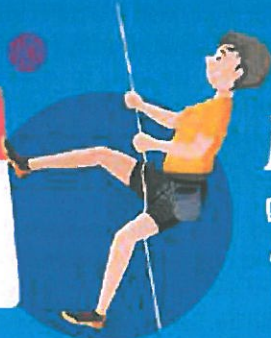
LONDON TO BRIGHTON BIKE RIDE

Take to two wheels, and cycle this iconic and scenic route

Sunday
10th Sept



Saturday
16th Sept



ABSEIL CHALLENGE

Descend the tallest permanent abseil in the world! A fantastic day out for a group of friends or colleagues.

Got any questions? ✉ emma@harrysrainbow.co.uk | ☎ 01908 061676

For more information on each event and how you can get involved visit:

www.harrysrainbow.co.uk/events



Exploring the parks on your doorstep: Linford Wood

Linford Wood is a great place to escape and unwind all year round. Carpeted with bluebells, wood anemones and primroses in Spring, by Summer the trees are in leaf and you can fully appreciate the beauty of the ancient woodland. Autumn is the best time for colour and to spot fungi, and Winter is great for crunching through frozen leaves and is easiest for spotting woodland birds in the bare trees.

There are a series of surfaced footpaths so the wood is accessible throughout the year and The Parks Trust cuts the vegetation above the paths so the light makes these routes feel more open.

In terms of activities, there are a few spots with picnic benches and you could challenge children (or adults!) to identify the remnants of the old sculpture trail, including animals carved into tree stumps. Most of the original sculptures have rotted and disappeared over the years, but The Parks Trust is in discussions to try and bring some back in the future. If you fancy a bit of forest bathing, Love Exploring have created a forest bathing walk on their free

App. The Parks Trust also has lots of resources online for you to explore, including a Tree ID guide and activities for youngsters. We also run guided walks around the wood. Just visit www.theparkstrust.com to find out more.

Deer, badgers and foxes are among the creatures you may catch sight of if you visit at a quiet time of day, but Linford Wood is especially noteworthy for its bird and insect life in the open rides. Look out for the Green Woodpecker, Greater Spotted Woodpecker, Tree Creeper, Willow Warbler and the Sparrowhawk and Tawny Owl. Come out early on a Spring morning to hear the fantastic dawn chorus.

As you explore the wood, please stick to the main paths. Linford Wood has been woodland for at least 700 years and is one of our rare habitats, providing homes for a huge range of wildlife. Sadly, ancient woodlands only make up 2.5% of the UK and it is therefore vital that we help protect these fragile ecosystems.

Please can we remind all dog walkers to keep their pets on leads in the woods during breeding season (March to September).

Chaucer and his pilgrims visit Bradwell Abbey for Maundy Thursday!

With help from Stantonbury Parish Council in the form of a grant, Bradwell Abbey was paid a timeslip visit by Geoffrey Chaucer and his Canterbury Pilgrims on Thursday 6th April!

Celebrating their re-imagined Pilgrim Trail, City Discovery Centre at Bradwell Abbey opened their fourteenth-century pilgrimage chapel and welcomed their medieval visitors alongside many modern Milton Keynesians!

Starting with a guided tour of the newly-conserved chapel,

the modern and medieval pilgrims walked side by side, sharing tales and trails over to St Lawrence's Church in Bradwell, currently celebrating its 800th anniversary.

Elsewhere on site, eager Easter bunnies hunted for eggs on the Annual Bradwell Abbey Easter Hunt, while their families enjoyed snacks from the Good Time Café, and busied themselves making Easter crafts. There were some excellent Easter bonnets on display!



Medieval and modern pilgrims meet at Bradwell Abbey



Geoffrey Chaucer and the Wife of Bath on their way to Bradwell Abbey from Canterbury.

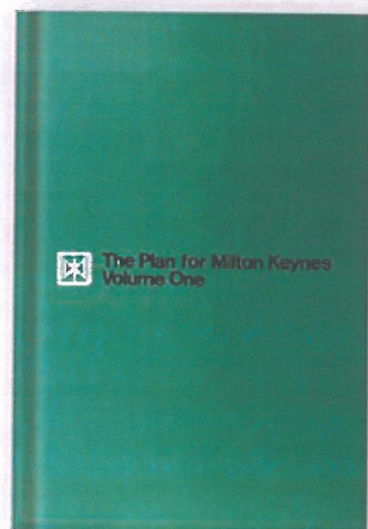
The Good City Project: What Makes Milton Keynes

Join us in talking about your City - we'd love to hear your views!

Milton Keynes City Discovery Centre (MKCDC) have been awarded funding by The National Lottery Heritage Fund to embark on an exciting project animating The Plan for Milton Keynes, the original masterplan produced in 1970 that outlined the design and development of the new city.

Through a series of supper club sessions, workshops, activity days and exhibitions, MKCDC will animate the masterplan with local community groups. There will be opportunities for discovery and inspiration, as well as consideration of the future of the city. Conversations will be sparked between communities, and hopes and desires expressed in innovative and artistic ways.

To get involved or for more information please contact Dr. Noël James, Director, or Catherine McIntyre, Archivist, on 01908 227 229 or via director@mkcdc.org.uk / library@mkcdc.org.uk



Macular Society

Beating Macular Disease



Do you or anyone you know have a macular condition such as age-related macular degeneration? If so do you know that there is a friendly and accessible support group that meets in Central Milton Keynes? New members are always welcome, just come along.

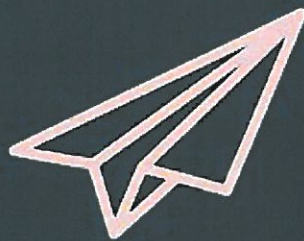
We offer practical and emotional support to anyone with central vision loss from any macular condition, as well as to their family and friends. We have a programme with a variety of speakers, as well as social meetings and there is always time to share your experiences and problems with others who understand this hidden disability. We meet on:

Second Tuesday of each month from 2.00 to – 4.00pm

at Centrecom Meeting Place, 602 North Row (Behind MK Library), Secklow Gate West, Central Milton Keynes, MK9 3BJ.

We also have a drop-in coffee morning on the **First Tuesday of the month from 10.00am to 12.00 pm** in the John Lewis restaurant as well as lunches out and other events during the year.

For further information please phone Maggie on: **01908 319 292** or e-mail: **mkmacsoc@gmail.com**



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Message In a Bottle



What is it?

A little plastic bottle containing a form showing all of your personal details and medications that may be needed by emergency services if you are unable to tell them.

Where do I keep it?

At home, in the fridge. Why? The fridge is easy to find – It's in the kitchen and the contents of most fridges are protected from Fire.

How will the ambulance crew know I have one?


Each bottle comes with a sticker to go inside your front door. It's inside so we don't reveal to the world that a vulnerable person lives here.

Where can I get one?

Bottles are distributed **FREE OF CHARGE** across the country by Lions Clubs International through your local Lions Club. Forms which will fit into a wallet are also available. Please contact the **Parish Office** if you would like one for a friend or a vulnerable person you know.

www.stonylions.org.uk



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10:00 - 14:00

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ABRA

ALL BRADVILLE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

What is ABRA?

- We are not part of Stantonbury Parish Council
- We are not Milton Keynes Council (MKC) or their BERF (Bradville Estate Renewal Forum)
- We are your Residents Association; a group of residents living in Bradville who come together to make our area a better place to live in for our fellow Bradville residents.
- Recently, we have organised different events to bring our community together: A Family Christmas Party, an Easter Treasure Trail and a Tea Dance with Live Band.
- Keeping Bradville tidy is also one of our objectives. Families are encouraged to take part in our regular organised community litter picks events.
- We lobby MKC to clear up areas beyond our ability, such as the access between Crispin and Harrowden. We send them reports about fly-tipping, faulty lighting or vandalism.



So that we can do even more for Bradville, we need like-minded people wanting to get involved. You may want to share your ideas or concerns about our area or simply wish to make new friends? Why not come and join us at our next:

GENERAL MEETING

Saturday 15th July

2:00- 4:30 pm

Mathiesen Community Centre

For more information or if you have any questions, you can get in touch with us:

via email abra.information@gmail.com or on Facebook – search for 'ABRA'

JOIN US - WE NEED YOU TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN BRADVILLE

RESIDENTS HAVE YOUR SAY!



Stantonbury Parish Council are organising free skips for the parish again this year and would appreciate your feedback and comments on where you the residents would like them.

1 What estate do you live in?

Bancroft Bancroft Park Blue Bridge Bradville

Linford Wood Oakridge Park Stantonbury

2 What estate would you like to see a skip?

Bancroft Bancroft Park Blue Bridge Bradville

Linford Wood Oakridge Park Stantonbury

3 What is the name of the street you would like to see a skip?

4 Any other comments you would like the Parish Council to consider.

Please send your survey back to **Stantonbury Parish Office at 126 Kingsfold, Bradville, Milton Keynes, MK13 7DX by Friday 28th July 2023**, or forward it by email to us at info@stantonburyparishcouncil.org.uk

All comments received will be carefully considered and implemented where possible.

We thank you for taking the time to complete and return this survey to us.