

BRAUNSTONE TOWN COUNCIL



Cllr Nick Brown
Town Council
Leader

There has been talk of economic uncertainty resulting from the vote to leave the European Union and how that might mean more cuts to public services. The Town Council, having embarked upon a continuous drive to find more efficient ways of running our services, making ongoing savings alongside gradual Council Tax and user charge increases, is well placed to face any challenges which may arise. I would like to thank the community and all the users of our services and facilities for both their understanding and support for our approach.

The other issue which has arisen in parts of the Country has been an unwelcome and worrying increase in hate crime, there is simply no justification for this and while it is a small number of isolated cases and we are not aware of any increase in our area, it's important if you witness or are a victim of a hate crime to report it to the police on 101 or via True Vision <http://www.report-it.org.uk/home>. Braunstone Town's population is richly diverse and we are a vibrant, tolerant and safe place to live. Therefore, the Town Council is in close contact with our partners in the higher level Councils and the police to prevent and address any hate incidents or activity so that we ensure that our well established good community relations are not undermined and continues to be strong.

THORPE ASTLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE MEDICAL ROOMS USAGE - YOUR VIEWS

In May, Braunstone Town Council ran the consultation with town residents to understand their needs and expectations in regards to services provided from the Thorpe Astley Community Centre.



Within that time 51 respondents expressed their opinion. More than half of them (82%) stated that it is very important to have Health Services provided from Thorpe Astley. Having listed potential options for service provision and usage of the medical rooms, apart from Health Facilities respondents also expressed their interest in having small bar/café area so it could bring community together, and also to convert rooms into meeting/interview/counselling rooms. Moreover, respondents had opportunity to tell us what, in their opinion are the biggest needs for the community at Thorpe Astley. Interesting suggestion were made for example, an education holiday club/youth club, lots of activities for children and families and greater provision at community events. If you would be interested in providing additional services at Thorpe Astley Community Centre, please get in touch with us either by calling us on 0116 2890045 or by email enquiries@braunstonetowncouncil.org.uk



NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

Braunstone Town Council is exploring the possibility of developing a the Neighbourhood Plan for Braunstone Town.

It is a new way for communities to decide the future of the places where they live and work.

The plan can consider

- Where new homes, shops and offices can be built;
- What new buildings should look like and what infrastructure should be provided;
- Provide protection for open spaces and community facilities.

Such plans can support economic growth, improve people's quality of life, and protect the natural environment.

Neighbourhood planning is optional therefore the Town Council will soon run a consultation with local residents to gather their views.

ARMED FORCES FLAG RAISING

The Town Mayor, Cllr Berneta Layne, hosted a short ceremony on Monday 20th June at 2.00pm for the raising of the Armed Forces Flag at the commencement of Armed Forces Week. Representatives from the Royal Air Force Association, Royal British Legion attended alongside



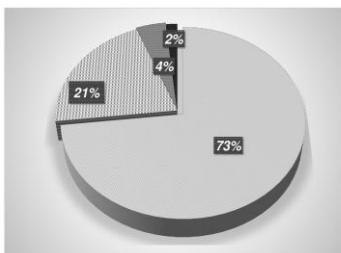
Deputy Lieutenant Peter Carr and Chairman of Blaby District Council Mrs Christine Merrill, to recognise the work of the Armed Forces and Veterans.



BRAUNSTONE TOWN EVENTS

- **Anchors Aweigh** – Band Concert – Friday 23rd September, 7.30pm
- **Ratby Senior Band Concert** - Saturday 22nd October, 7.30pm
- **Diwali** – Friday 28th October, 7.30pm

RESULTS FROM THE SPEED ACTIVATION SIGN – TURNBULL DRIVE – 14-30th June



Total Number of vehicles 18745
Normal Speed – 13722 (73%)
31-35mph – 3915 (21%)
36-39mph – 804 (4%)
40mph+ - 304 (2%)
Fastest – 67mph

CURRENT SURVEYS

- ❖ The Town Council would like to remind its residents about **Braunstone Town Council Annual Survey** where £50 can be won! Your views are vital for the Council in order to provide services that people really want.
- ❖ **Braunstone Customer Service Shop – Customer Survey 2016** – given changes in how customer and payment services are delivered, the Town Council is currently running the Customer Survey to understand customer's needs and aspirations. Hard copies of both surveys can be obtained from our centres or if you wish we can post it to you. Moreover, surveys are also available on our website www.braunstonetowncouncil.org.uk.

Customer Service Shop, Braunstone Civic Centre
Monday – Friday, 9am – 5pm

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