

## **BROCKWORTH PARISH**

Welcome to the Brockworth Council pages of the magazine. We hope you enjoy reading these pages and receiving information about Brockworth village and events that are taking place in Brockworth.

Please send your stories, articles or information about Brockworth to the Clerk at Brockworth Parish Council so that we can include in the next edition of the magazine. The deadline for the next edition is 10<sup>th</sup> July 2014, and the magazines will be delivered at the start of August. For advertising requests, please contact the publishers of the magazine (details inside front cover page).

### ***News from Brockworth Parish Council***

At the April meeting of the Parish Council, Ruth Hatton was welcomed as newly co-opted member of the parish council. The County Councillor gave an update from the county council and explained that Amey have taken over the Highways contract as well as the Public Rights of Way contact. The call centre number for Highways remains 08000 514 514.

The parish council is looking at restarting the community police meetings in Brockworth and Borough Cllr Hillier-Richardson will be coming to the June parish council meeting to explain how this could be done.

Borough Councillors Jude and Vince Perez gave updates regarding the Joint Core Strategy (since the parish council meeting, all 3 authorities in the Joint Core Strategy have approved the draft document).

The meeting noted there was some bank erosion on the brook behind Cedar Road and councillors discussed installing a pedestrian barrier where the pathway narrows.

The council has agreed to the roadsides in Brockworth being weed-sprayed twice over the coming year. The council also agreed a £500 grant to the Friends of Castle Hill School to assist with the parish's annual fete. It was also agreed to install a dog waste bin near to St George's Church.

For the full minutes of meetings, Council Minutes are available on our website after they have been approved by the Parish Council. If you would like a copy of the council minutes but are unable to access them on our website (at [www.brockworth-pc.gov.uk](http://www.brockworth-pc.gov.uk)) please call Julie on 01452 863123 and she will send you a copy of the latest published minutes.

*Brockworth Parish Council Offices are open Monday to Friday 9am to 2pm  
and are located in the Brockworth Community Centre on Court Road.  
Telephone 01452 863123 or email [clerk@brockworth-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@brockworth-pc.gov.uk)*

the charity for  
your community



The Citizens Advice Bureau provides an advice session on Tuesday afternoons 1.30 to 4.30pm at Brockworth Community Centre (appointments can be made with Community Centre reception). We apologise but due to funding restrictions, we are only able help those from Brockworth.

Come and talk to advisors about Housing, Debt, Benefits, Employment, Discrimination, Family matters and much more. Please see [www.adviceguide.org.uk](http://www.adviceguide.org.uk) for further advice and guidance.

## **Creative Writing Class**

at Brockworth Community Centre

**Friday mornings 10:00 am – 12:30 pm**

**Fee for each class is £8.00**

Beginners and practised writers welcome, as classes are designed to develop writing skills at every level. Tea and coffee are available from the café. For more information:

**Contact: Josephine Lay  
07799 110890**

Email: [livingwithfantasy@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:livingwithfantasy@yahoo.co.uk)

# REGULAR ACTIVITIES AT BROCKWORTH COMMUNITY CENTRE

Contact [admin@brockworth-pc.gov.uk](mailto:admin@brockworth-pc.gov.uk) or telephone 01452 863123.

## Monday

9.15am to 10.45am

11am to midday

4pm to 6pm

6.30pm to 8.30pm

The Brockworth Dawn Chorus Choir

Beginners' Line Dancing

Dance Pointe Studios – dance classes

Yoga for Pregnancy / Relax, Stretch & Breathe drop-in

7pm to 10pm

Youth Club (via Youth Centre)

## Tuesday

9am to 12pm

9.45-10.45am

1.30pm to 2.30pm

1.30pm to 3.00pm

1.30pm to 4.30pm

5pm to 7pm

7.15pm to 8.15pm

Tewkesbury Borough Council Advice

Yoga & Relaxation

Village & Community Agents

Line Dancing

Citizens Advice Bureau

Youth Club (via Youth Centre)

Dance Figures

## Wednesday

9am to 2pm (every 4 weeks)

9.30am to 10.30am

11am to 12pm

2pm to 4pm (every 2 weeks)

7.30pm to 8.30pm

7pm to 9pm

Chiropody

Body Conditioning

Parent & Toddler Coffee Morning

Linda's Tea Dance

Zumba with Regina

Youth Club (via Youth Centre)

## Thursday

10am to 12.30pm

2pm

2pm to 4pm

5.45pm to 6.45pm

8pm to 10pm

Brockworth CC Art Class

Walking Club – walks are 30 to 60 mins

Tewkesbury Borough Council Advice

Circuits with La Femme Fitness

Line Dancing

## Friday

10am to 12.30pm

12pm to 2pm

6.30pm to 7.30pm

6.30pm to 9pm

Creative Writing

Over-60s luncheon

Functional Core Training

Youth Club (via Youth Centre)

## Saturday

9.30am to 11am

Fine Steps Dance Class

## Sunday

10.30am

2pm to 4pm (every 4 weeks)

Cornerstone Church

Buddhist Study Group

## BUS INFORMATION

The number 3 and 4 buses have been withdrawn and replaced with new services 2 / 2A and 8 from 30 March 2014 onwards. Number 8 bus will serve Coopers Edge and Brockworth (Whittle Square).

No. & Operator		Route	Peak Frequency	Off-Peak Frequency
10	Stagecoach	Lower Tuffley – Gloucester – Hucclecote – Brockworth - Cheltenham	Every 10 mins	Every 30 mins
46	Stagecoach	Stroud – Brockworth – Cheltenham	1 per hour	None
8	Stagecoach	Gloucester Market Parade – Coopers Edge - Whittle Inn – Gloucester Business Park – Whittle Inn – Coopers Edge - Gloucester	Every 15 minutes	Every 20 minutes
852	Pulhams	Gloucester – Cirencester	8.45am and 12pm	

Readers are reminded that senior bus passes can be used before 9am on the Cirencester bus – it returns from outside the Cornhall at Cirencester at 1pm.



### BROCKWORTH PARISH COUNCIL COMMUNITY BUS SERVICE Operated by Minibus Direct

#### PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A 'FLAG-DOWN' SERVICE ON WEDNESDAYS ONLY AT THE FOLLOWING 'STOPS'

1. Tesco Supermarket	10.00	11.30
2. Kennel Lane	10.06	11.36
3. Doctors Surgery	10.08	11.38
4. Riversmeet House	10.13	11.43
5. Community Centre	10.16	11.46
6. Ermin Park Shops	10.21	11.51
7. Sports Centre	10.25	11.55
8. Wyevale Garden Centre	10.30	12.00
1. Tesco Supermarket	10.35	12.05 by request

# **Save Brockworth's Greenbelt Update**

In April the Joint Core Strategy was agreed by Cheltenham, Tewkesbury and Gloucester Councils. This does NOT mean the end of our Greenbelt. The JCS is an on-going process and the next stage will be another public consultation in the Summer. LOOK OUT for FURTHER DETAILS.

## **MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD.**

If the current proposal goes ahead Brockworth could become part of a huge housing estate joined onto Gloucester city. It will become a suburb not a semi-rural village.

The plans include a traveller site on the edge of the village. Our views have been ignored - the numbers are too high and brownfield sites should be built on before precious Greenbelt. All areas should take their share of new housing instead of targeting Brockworth.

In the meantime:

- if you love Brockworth's countryside
- if you think we should keep our fields for growing valuable foodstuff -if you think the A46 cannot take any more traffic
- if you think that Brockworth is going to be ruined

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- contact your MP (Laurence Robertson)
- contact your councillors at Tewkesbury Borough Council
- write to the Citizen
- contact the JCS team
- visit our website [www.savebrockworthgreenbelt.weebly.com](http://www.savebrockworthgreenbelt.weebly.com) and join us to help save our countryside and all it stands for: tractors ploughing fields, birds, deer, trees and ancient hedgerows.

WHEN IT'S GONE IT'S GONE.

DON'T LET IT GO WITHOUT A FIGHT.



## **GLOUCESTER FILM MAKERS**

**CLUB MEETINGS** are held at St George's Church Centre on Court Road in Brockworth on Monday evenings at 7.30pm.

### **UPCOMING DATES**

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|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 14 July      | Social evening (to be arranged)                                                                                 |
| 1 September  | Open Competition No 2 – Wager Trophy<br>Specialised Subject Competition Sports – Berry Trophy                   |
| 15 September | “Out of the Hat” Competition – Prize bottle of wine<br>Showing of the group films begun on 12 <sup>th</sup> May |

**For further information please contact the Secretary John Green on  
01452 531838**

[www.gloucesterfilmmakers.org.uk](http://www.gloucesterfilmmakers.org.uk)

## **Little Gems**

**Places are available for children from 3 onwards – Claim Nursery  
Vouchers get 15 hours of free childcare per week**

**Playgroup is open Monday-Friday from 9.30-12.30 – term time only**

**Children from 2 welcomed – however limited places available.**

**Playgroup charges £5.50 for 3 hours a morning for each 2 year old that  
attends**

**Ring Emma or Debbie on 07599 924010/ 01452 547567 for more details  
or to come for a visit**

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Brockworth,  
Gloucester.  
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[www.brockworthcommunityproject.org.uk](http://www.brockworthcommunityproject.org.uk)



# Brockworth Community Library

## **French, Italian and Spanish classes available**

Classes to be held during Library opening hours



For more information contact Anne or Monica at  
Brockworth Community Library on 01452 863 681  
or 01452 862 730.

## **Dog owner fined for falling foul of the law**

A dog owner from Gretton has been fined for allowing her dog to foul outside a children's play area.

Tewkesbury Borough Council issued the dog owner with a £50 fixed penalty notice after she was caught letting her dog foul by CCTV owned by Gotherington Parish Council.

The incident took place outside Rex Rhodes Building, which has a dog bin and a children's play area located less than five metres away.

The dog owner was asked to attend a Police and Criminal Evidence interview where she was cautioned and accepted that her dog had fouled and she had failed to pick it up.

Tewkesbury Borough Council's Lead Member for Clean and Green Environment Cllr Jim Mason said: "This case was particularly concerning because it happened so close to a nursery and play park. Dog faeces may carry a disease called toxocariasis, which can cause blindness, especially in children.

There are around 300 dog bins in our borough, and our advice to dog owners is if you can't find a bin on your walk then pick up the mess and put it in a general public waste bin or take it home with you to avoid receiving a fine."

Gotherington Parish Council's Vice-Chairman Phil Aplin said "We hope that this incident will remind visitors to our village and residents alike always to pick up after their dog whether on pavements or public footpaths.

The parish council provides free dog bags, available at the village shop, and has installed many dog bins so there is every encouragement to do so."

If members of the public witness owners not picking up after their dog and are willing to provide a witness statement, the council will follow up the reports and take the necessary formal action.

All public footpaths and public open spaces have been designated under the Dog Fouling of Land Act 1996 and if someone fails to pick up after their dog the council can prosecute in the Magistrates Court and they can be fined up to £1000.

As part of its commitment to cracking down on dog fouling, Tewkesbury Borough Council is helping to launch a scheme called Paws on Patrol in the summer.

It will mean that dog walkers signed up to the scheme, who are out in their communities on a regular basis, can spot suspicious activity and report it quickly to the police and the authorities.

Dog owners interested in signing up to the scheme can contact the council at [communitysafety@tewkesbury.gov.uk](mailto:communitysafety@tewkesbury.gov.uk)



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### **THURSDAY WALKS FOR HEALTH**

We meet at 2pm on Thursdays at the Brockworth Community Centre, Court Road, Brockworth. The duration of the walk is normally 30 minutes to 60 minutes and followed by tea / coffee from the café. Do come along and join us – all are welcome.

There is normally a longer walk on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in the month. We meet at Brockworth Library. For further details please contact Fiona Miles 01452 864345 or Ken Duke 01452 610281.

If you enjoy walking for pleasure, why not try one of Brockworth's circular routes? There are leaflets available in the community centre and offer a variety of walk lengths. The walks are not suitable for pushchairs, and can be muddy at various times of the year but are okay if you're wearing sturdy footwear.



## Chainsaw Carved Ash Tree at Horsbere Brook

Just behind the scout hut, next to the brook there is a dead ash tree. Tewkesbury Borough Council agreed to reduce the height of the tree so that we could have the trunk carved. Chainsaw carver Andy O'Neill came along in April and carved "night" and "day" sides to the trunk. The Day side shows the sun and clouds in the sky, with a bird in a nest in a tree. The Night side shows the moon and the stars, with an Owl in a tree. Take a walk along the brook and enjoy the artwork.



## Walk – celebrate – remember

Last year's Solstice Walk was such a brilliant success that Cotswold Care Hospice we are doing the same again this year, giving you the chance to support your local hospice and enjoy the rolling hills and open spaces above the Stroud Valley.

**Where:** The walk sets off from Cotswold Care Hospice, Burleigh Lane

**When:** Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm, 6.30pm and 7pm, depending on the distance you want to walk

**How far:** 5km or 10km, it's up to you!

**How much:** Registration is £15 for adults or £7.50 for children. Under 5s go free. Entry includes a Solstice Walk T-shirt, ribbon to remember a loved one, bottle of water, walk no. a welcome pack and a complimentary glass of fizz on your return.

Vicki Hayward, Fundraising Manager for Cotswold Care explains "For this year's Cotswold Care Hospice Solstice Walk you won't just be helping to raise money for your vital local Hospice. You'll enjoy a magical evening too".

- Walk over the breathtaking scenery of Minchinhampton and Rodborough Commons, enjoying the dramatic views of the Stroud Valley
- Choose a 5k or 10k route to suit you
- Enjoy live music, home-cooked food and a bar
- See some surprises along the way
- Remember loved ones with our special Memory Arch at the Hospice
- There's entertainment for the kids – and dogs are welcome too!

As part of the celebrations, we'll take time to remember and celebrate the lives of loved ones. So if there's someone special you'd like to remember, it really is a touching and inspiring event.

### Your footsteps will change people's lives

By taking part and asking friends to sponsor you on your walk, you'll be raising vital funds that will make a huge difference in your community. Every year Cotswold Care Hospice supports more than 600 patients with life-

limiting illnesses, along with their families. But we can only do this thanks to the support of people like you. So please do come and take part – you could help us change someone's life

### **Don't miss the fun – register today**

Young, old, families, companies, lots of people will be taking part on the Solstice Walk to raise vital funds for the Hospice. If you'd like to join them and get sponsored for the walk please call the Hospice for an entry form on 01453 886868, email. [events@cotswoldcare.org.uk](mailto:events@cotswoldcare.org.uk) or go to their website at [www.cotswoldcare.org.uk](http://www.cotswoldcare.org.uk).



### **Manager Required**



Brockworth Albion Football Club is looking for a manager for their under 10 years old squad. The team play in the Gloucester Youth League on Saturday mornings. No formal qualifications are required as the appointed person will be given the opportunity to attend coaching and other appropriate course free of charge. Assistance will be offered with training sessions and on match days.

If you feel you could become the next Sir Alex Ferguson, or have any questions, please contact one of the following:

Nick Delves: 01452 531614

Andy Price: 01452 552613

Dave Kenward: 01452 712481