

Focus



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MAKING BROOKLANDS SAFER

Thank you to the residents who came to our two July meetings on road safety covering Brooklands, the Newport Road & Countess Way.

Main decisions:

- More speed bumps on Fen Street (Northfield end), Broughton Grounds Lane and Pacific Avenue.
- Speed bumps at the other end of Fen Street.
- Traffic lights synchronised the whole length of Fen Street in such a way as to go red when cars are exceeding 30 mph.
- HGVs exiting Magna Park required to use the V11 Tongwell Street.
- The introduction of Low Traffic Neighbourhoods in areas subject to rat-running where residents support this.

And thank you to the residents who agreed to join the committee that meets with the Council to discuss new traffic management schemes.



We're re-launching Kerrie's 2018 petition for a speed camera on Fen Street, which got over 500 signatures. Many new residents have moved in and the Police Commissioner for Thames Valley has stated his support for effective traffic control.

Here's the link to sign it:

<http://ftl.lib.dm/P73P>



OPEN THE PAVILIONS

The Broughton Pavilion isn't accepting bookings any more. And we think the same may be true on Brooklands. Some local organisations can't arrange their autumn programmes.

If you're affected by this please let us know on:

focusteam@live.co.uk or 07803 036 656

And please sign our petition calling on the Council and 1Life to re-open the pavilions for regular bookings immediately.

<https://signme.org.uk/1869>



SPEED BUMPS



We know that speed bumps aren't everyone's cup of tea (see story opposite).

So we're running a poll to check whether you're happy with speed bumps or would prefer another way of slowing traffic down.

Here's the link to the poll:

<http://ftl.lib.dm/o41r>



If you know of anyone who is vulnerable or in need of help at the moment please contact the Council's COVID-19 help line **01908 252398**.

20 MPH ZONES

Many of you have told us that you would like a 20 mph zone on Broughton Gate & Brooklands as there already is on Broughton. We've set up a poll on our website to vote **Yes** or **No**.

Here are the links and QR codes:

Broughton Gate <http://ftl.lib.dm/o21r>

Brooklands <http://ftl.lib.dm/o31r>



Congratulations to the Hungry Horse in Broughton who have raised nearly £2,000 for Macmillan Cancer Support since re-opening in May. They hope to reach their target of £10,000 by October.



We think there may be some money to make a proper crossing by this bridge across the Newport Road south of Broughton Gate. We also need to get it cleaned up. As well as graffiti there are two chairs, two trolleys, a bike, & a bbq in the water.

More on this next time

The Council has confirmed to us that it will be replacing three street signs in Broughton (two on Kemsley Crescent and one on Cadeby Court) within the current financial year *i.e.* by end March 2022. Thank you to all the residents who never gave up pressing for this.

HERITAGE OPEN DAYS MILTON KEYNES

Free events

10 - 19 September

This is the 16th year of MK Heritage Open Days. All events are free and many will include activities for children & families.

More information here

<https://tinyurl.com/zx3whbjj>

The picture opposite is of schoolchildren in Broughton village before their school (on the right) closed in 1907.



Photo courtesy of the Two Villages Archive Trust.

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We aim to reply to mails, text or calls within 48 hours. Texting's usually fastest. If we don't, please get in touch again in case we've missed your message.

Thank you !

