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*Brother and
Sister Kai (6) and
Ebony Mutch (7)
at D.H. Lawrence Heritage's
Children's Fun Day.*

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Broxtowe Borough
Partnership

The Vision for Broxtowe Borough Council

**Listening and responding to ensure the
delivery of efficient and effective services**

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Introduction

The challenge ahead



Ruth Hyde OBE
Chief Executive



Milan Radulovic MBE
Leader of the Council

The challenge facing local government is immense, as we seek to balance the books in the face of further cuts in government grant. In 2011/12 we lost £1,095,987 in grant. In 2012/13 from that new baseline we lost £846,000, and in 2013/14 another £467,000. In 2014/15 we have another significant cut and will lose at least another £700,000. The base revenue budget has gone from £12,595,000 in 2011/12 to £10,990,000 in 2013/14.

In spite of this we have not cut services and we have not made anyone compulsorily redundant, although the number of employees has reduced from 772 in 2009/10 to 725 in 2011/12. Healthy leisure centre attendance has helped increase income - by £375,000 over the last three years. On refuse collection, we have over the last 4 years saved/generated £682,000 additional income.

Shared services are just one of the techniques we have used to reduce costs. We now manage the CCTV service for Ashfield, Newark & Sherwood and parts of Bolsover as well as ours, saving at least £30,000 a year. We manage the ICT service for Broxtowe, Newark and Sherwood and Rushcliffe. This partnership will save at least £800,000 over the next five years, through the ICT initiative.

Similarly, we provide estates services to Ashfield, but we buy in non-domestic rates services from them. Our crematorium and cemeteries management is shared with Erewash Borough Council, so we receive a contribution to those costs. We contribute to the costs of tackling benefit fraud, now a shared service, but receive the service more cheaply than we could run it alone.

Broxtowe Matters is published twice a year by Broxtowe Borough Council and the Broxtowe Borough Partnership to keep residents informed about its services and the work it does in the Borough.

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'Love Broxtowe Borough' with Smart Phone App

Download Broxtowe Borough Council's free 'Love Broxtowe Borough' app **now** to your Android phone from marketplace. iPhone and Windows versions will follow very shortly so keep checking the App Store.

Report environmental issues easily and instantly to the Council on your phone. Find your location, take a photo, add a category and submit. You will be kept informed of progress via email.



WHY WASTE TIME



. . . . Do it online - www.broxtowe.gov.uk



Beeston Shopmobility Has Moved!

Beeston Shopmobility has moved to Cavendish Lodge, 10 Devonshire Avenue, Beeston.



For further information on the services offered call 0115 917 3077 or visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk/shopmobility

Broxtowe Awarded Member Development Charter

Broxtowe Borough Council has received recognition for the development of its elected members, after being awarded the East Midlands Regional Councillor Development Charter.

The Council is one of 14 local authorities in the region to receive the Charter, which sets out a framework and standard of good practice for

Councillor learning and development from the moment they are elected, throughout their term in office.

The Charter is based on a national template developed by other regions along with the Local Government Association (LGA). It is reassessed every three years to ensure continuous improvement is made.

For more information, please contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3295.



Mayor of The Borough of Broxtowe, Councillor Iris White presents Chair Of The Member Training and Development Strategy Working Group, Councillor Janet Patrick with the Charter.

Sports Events...not just for the fit!

Make 2014 your sporting year and take part in one of Broxtowe Sport's Sports Events.

Why not try the Triathlon in May or compete in the Duathlon in October? There are lots of challenges to take part in across the Borough throughout the year, suitable for children and beginners to the more experienced.

All competitors also receive a free goodie bag at each event, thanks to international sports retailer and event partner Decathlon.



Further details on future events can be found at www.broxtowe.gov.uk/sportsevents with discounted online entry starting in January 2014.

Food and Drink teamed up with Oxjam

Following the success of both Oxjam and 'Lets go to Beeston's' food and drink weekend, the two joined forces to create one big event in October to appeal to both food and music lovers alike.

Oxjam Beeston is part of the UK's largest music festival in aid of Oxfam and is now in its third successive year in Beeston. Oxjam has brought a real festival atmosphere and put Beeston on the map with over 5,000 festival goers.

1 wristband, 10 venues, 60+ artists and over 12 hours of amazing music. Venues this year included Barton's, Hop Pole, The Bar, Greyhound, White Lion Bar & Kitchen, Crown Inn, Relish, Belle & Jerome, Bean and Beeston Square.



As well as musical delights, visitors to the town were also able to visit speciality markets on the Friday and Saturday in Beeston Square as well as visit many of the local food and drink establishments who put on special events to mark the weekend.

For more information, keep an eye out on: www.letsgotobeeston.co.uk or visit <http://www.oxjambestontakeover.org>

Community Covenant Success Continues



Soldiers from 170 (Infrastructure Support) Engineer Group Royal Engineers, together with veterans from the Royal Engineers Association march through Stapleford to exercise their Right of Freedom of Entry to the Borough of Broxtowe.

The Broxtowe Borough Community Covenant has received further funding from the Ministry of Defence to support the local Armed Forces.

£47,000 worth of funding has been secured by the YMCA to support young children living at Chetwynd Barracks, Chilwell who feel isolated from their peers outside school hours.

The funding follows four earlier successful

applications which resulted in over £240,000 worth of projects, including a project run by the YMCA to help teenagers integrate better with the civilian community, as well as projects to improve access to Chetwynd Barracks for families and personnel, a 'Forces in the Community' central hub to provide support, training and sign-posting to veterans and their families and outdoor play activities on Manor

Farm recreation ground.

Broxtowe Borough Council, Broxtowe Borough Partnership, Beeston BID and Voluntary Action Broxtowe signed the Community Covenant pledge with the Armed Forces locally and Armed Forces charities in January 2012, enabling each organisation to apply for Ministry of Defence funding.

For more information about the Community Covenant contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3492, email spc@broxtowe.gov.uk or visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk/armedforces

Keep on running!

Enjoy going for a run? Worried about the winter nights? Don't let the dark nights stop you in your tracks, as Broxtowe Sport run two weekly running groups to help people keep fit and stay safe during the winter.

The mixed group meet every Monday at Brinsley Recreation Ground and the women's only group meet every Tuesday at Bramcote Hills Park, both from 6.30pm.

Beeston Athletics Club and Kimberley and District Striders also run weekly sessions for runners too, so there's no reason to hang up the trainers until summer.

If you want to go it alone, remember these top tips for staying safe:

- Wear clothing that's brightly coloured and reflective.
- Try to run with someone else so you are not alone.
- Stick to floodlit paths.

For further information contact Broxtowe Sport on 0115 917 3572, email sport@broxtowe.gov.uk or visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk/sport

Annual D.H. Lawrence Festival Success



An Edwardian gentleman of 1913 shows his disapproval at members of the suffragette movement.

Eastwood's D.H. Lawrence Festival proved to be a great success when it returned to Broxtowe in September, with visitors from across the country visiting the area to celebrate the centenary of one of the author's most famous novels Sons and Lovers.

The two-week long celebration included reading groups, lectures, film screenings, street

theatre performances and exhibitions as well as a special vintage themed weekend and much more.

Don't worry if you missed it, as there is still time to catch the festival exhibition,

'Careful or I'll put you in my next novel': Lawrence's Eastwood turned into Fiction' at the D.H. Lawrence Heritage Centre's Rainbow Galley until Sunday 17th November.

For more information, contact D.H. Lawrence Heritage on 01773 717 353, email culture@broxtowe.gov.uk or visit www.dhlawrenceheritage.org You can also find D.H. Lawrence Heritage on Facebook at www.facebook.com/dhlawrenceheritage and Twitter by following @dhlheritage

Bringing People Together



SAVE THE DATE - The Ruby Ball!

In 2014 Broxtowe Council will mark its 40th Anniversary.

To celebrate this important occasion, the Ruby Themed, Mayor's Charity Ball and Civic Night will take place on Saturday

5th April 2014 at the Nottingham Belfry Hotel.

The event will help raise money for the Mayor of the Borough's chosen charities, Treetops Hospice and The Helpful Bureau, Stapleford.

To show your support for these two worthy causes and to secure your tickets in advance, please contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3210, email civic@broxtowe.gov.uk or visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk/civic

Visit D.H. Lawrence Heritage

Eastwood's award-winning D.H. Lawrence Heritage Centre has a host of activities on offer throughout the year to keep both children and adults entertained, from guided tours of the birthplace museum, to the latest exhibition in the Rainbow Gallery or a bite to eat in the D.H. Lawrence Bistro.

Just some of the events coming up this winter include adult craft workshops, special Birthplace Museum Deep Clean Conservation and Housekeeping Tours, photographic exhibitions and Christmas activities including the Christmas Mailbox and Fairy Grotto.

For more information or to book your place, contact D.H. Lawrence Heritage on 01773 717 353, email culture@broxtowe.gov.uk or visit www.dhlawrenceheritage.org

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Since the Community Covenant was signed in January 2012, £300,000 of Ministry of Defence funding has been secured for projects to support the local armed forces.

Tri Broxtowe Triathlon Club

Broxtowe now has it's own official Triathlon Club, which runs weekly training sessions for people aged 15 years and over at Kimberley Leisure Centre.

The informal club, which is affiliated with Triathlon England, has qualified coaches who are on hand to help anyone who wants to get fit, have fun and meet new people.

Triathlon involves swimming, cycling and running, linked together to make one exciting challenge.

For further information visit www.broxtowetriathlonclub.co.uk or contact Broxtowe Sport on 0115 917 3572.

Celebrating the Community

Next year marks the 10th anniversary of the Community Celebration Group and to celebrate this landmark, the group are planning a number of events.

The group, which was formed in 2004 to bring together people from the many different cultures and communities across Broxtowe Borough, will host the annual Season of Lights Festival on Saturday 30th November 2013 as part of the Beeston Christmas Lights Switch on event.

Two Taste of Culture events will also take place in the new year to give local people the opportunity to find out more about the work of the group, followed by the annual Community Celebration in Beeston in July, which has attracted over 1000 visitors in previous years, for a day of music, arts and crafts, sports and foods from around the world.

If you would like to find out more about these events or get involved in the Community Celebration Group, please contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3712 or sajada.akbar@broxtowe.gov.uk



Broxtowe Borough Partnership



The Broxtowe Borough Partnership was first introduced around 13 years ago and is one of the Council's most successful partnerships. It brings together organisations and individuals from the public and private sector to help everyone play a part in improving the quality of life in the Borough of Broxtowe.

The Partnership now has members from over 70 organisations, including representatives from local government, public services, businesses, voluntary organisations

and community groups, all working hard to try and make sure you can have your say.

The Partnership addresses key issues affecting the future of the Borough and the well-being of its residents through five task groups and two subgroups who help deliver actions for improvement.

The Partnership also engages with the

community through 57 Community Action Team (CAT) meetings each year, which are chaired by local councillors and invite residents to suggest issues in their area which need to be resolved.

Throughout the pages of this newsletter some of the partners work can be identified by the logo or coloured banner that accompanies each article.

For more information, contact the Broxtowe Borough Partnership on 0115 917 3492, email enquiries@broxtowepartnership.org.uk or visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk/partnership

ICT Partnership Money Saving Success

Broxtowe Borough, Newark & Sherwood District and Rushcliffe Borough Councils got together in 2011/12 to form an innovative ICT shared service partnership. Their approach was to appoint a Chief Information Officer (CIO) who manages the partnership across all three Councils to help them

to redevelop the current ICT arrangements and exploit joint procedures, procurement and partnership working.

Although ICT often plays an unseen role in improvements it is fundamental to most business change and critical to resident-facing services.

The shared ICT service has improved efficiency, value for money and achieved large financial savings for these three councils. Customer satisfaction continues to increase as service delivery improves, following the changes introduced by the partnership.

As the economic squeeze continues to demand more for less, the partnership has helped deliver ICT excellence in the most resourceful and cost effective way without cutting back on innovation, whilst at the same time keeping up to date with the constantly changing technology market.



Want to get out and about,
keep fit and save money?

Learn to cycle with confidence

with FREE cycle training and rides with Ridewise



Our Eastwood 2013 cycling sessions* are great for getting beginners and re-learners back on their bikes and cycling more!

**Most
Tuesdays**

9.30am	Learn to cycle ~ for beginners or re-learners
10.30am	Learn to cycle short distances on quiet roads
11.30am	Gentle cycle ride on local trails and quiet roads 30+ min
12.45pm	Gentle cycle ride on local trails and quiet roads 60+ min

At the DH Lawrence Heritage Centre, Mansfield Rd, Eastwood, Nottingham NG16 3DZ

To book a place or to reserve a bike call 07905 068420 or email adrian@ridewise.org.uk

** Booking is essential. Sessions are available to those aged 17 and over.*

This project has been funded by
the NHS Broxtowe Lifestyle Fund



Olympic Legacy Lives on with Community Games

Community groups and clubs in Broxtowe Borough are being encouraged to organise local events in 2014 to celebrate the legacy of the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Community Games provides local groups and clubs with an opportunity to organise and deliver mini events or festivals that celebrate local sport and culture in their community.

The project was developed by Legacy Trust UK, an independent charity set up to help build a lasting cultural and sporting legacy from London 2012 and is funded through the Big Society Fund.

If you would like to organise an event in Broxtowe 2014, contact Broxtowe Sport 0115 9173572 or visit www.communitygames.org.uk

Christmas Lights Up The Borough



Be sure to enjoy the festive season with Christmas lights switch on events across the borough:

- Eastwood Christmas Lights Switch On – Tuesday 26th November 2013, 6.00pm - 8.45pm, Eastwood Town Centre
- Beeston Christmas Light's Switch on

– Saturday 30th November 2013, 12.00pm – 6.00pm, Broadgate Park

There will also be Christmas lights switch on events in Kimberley on Friday 29th November and Stapleford on Saturday 23rd November. Times to be confirmed.

For more information, contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3695 or visit the What's on Where (WOW) online events calendar to see what other Christmas events are taking place in your area at www.broxtowe.gov.uk/wow



Health Event for Young People

Young people in Broxtowe Borough aged between 10 and 19 are being invited to a free health event on Sunday 1st December for information on a range of health issues affecting them.

The event, on World Aids Day, will be held at Beeston Youth and Community Centre, West End, Beeston between 1.00pm and 4.00pm and will include information about smoking, healthy eating, exercise, drugs, alcohol, sexual health and much more, as well as freebies and activities from graffiti artwork to beat boxing and sport.

A selection of delicious foods and smoothies will also be on offer from the Pulp Friction Smoothie bar project, which provides volunteering opportunities to young adults with learning difficulties.

For more information or if you are an organisation that would like to book a stand at the event, please contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3657 or email jayne.fletcher@broxtowe.gov.uk

Cha Cha Cha on to Strictly 50

This year's Strictly 50 will return for its fourth year this December at the East Midlands Conference Centre on Sunday 1st December between 1.00pm and 4.00pm.

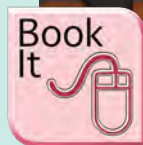
With over 200 participants each year, the dance event designed specifically

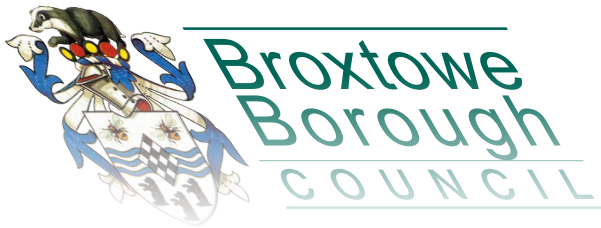
for the over 50s is not to be missed with a variety of disciplines including modern, line dancing, ballroom and latin, as well as give it a go workshops for new and returning dancers and spectators who simply want to enjoy the fun.

For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Broxtowe Sport on 0115 917 3573, email sport@broxtowe.gov.uk or visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk/sportsevents



Last year's winners are presented with their awards by then Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Broxtowe, Councillor Iris White.





Council Finalists For Six Awards

Broxtowe Borough Council was named as finalists for six awards at the Association of Public Service Excellence (APSE) Service Awards 2013.

The APSE Awards recognise excellence in public sector service delivery in local authorities across the United Kingdom.

The Council were finalists in the following categories:

- Best Health and Well-being Initiative
- Best Public/Voluntary Partnership Working Initiative

- Best Community and Neighbourhood Initiative
- Best Information and Communication Technology Initiative (joint project with Rushcliffe Borough Council and Newark and Sherwood District Council)
- Best Service Team Street Cleansing and Streetscene
- Best Service Team Sports, Leisure and Cultural

The Council was also shortlisted for Overall Council of the Year in Service Delivery, based on its award finalists.

For more information, contact the Broxtowe Borough Partnership on 0115 917 3492, email enquiries@broxtowepartnership.org.uk or visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk/partnership

Mindful Employer Charter

As part of the Council's People Strategy for 2012-16, it has made an organisational pledge to demonstrate a commitment to tackling mental health discrimination in the workplace and signed up to the Mindful Employer Charter

The Charter is a step forward in recognising and responding to the needs of people at work who bear the burden and threats of a

mental health condition.

By becoming a Mindful Employer the Council aims to help change attitudes and cultural expectations. On this journey the Council aims to:

- Show a positive and enabling attitude to employees and job applicants with mental health issues
- Ensure that all employees involved in recruitment and selection are briefed on

mental health issues and The Equality Act 2010.

- Make it clear that people who have experienced mental health issues will not be discriminated against and that disclosure of a mental health problem will enable both the employee and us to assess and provide the right level of support or adjustment.
- Not make assumptions that a person with a

mental health issue will be more vulnerable to workplace stress or take more time off than any other employee or job applicant

- Provide non-judgemental and proactive support to individual staff who experience mental health issues
- Ensure all line managers have information and training about managing mental health in the workplace.

The Council, in partnership with ACAS, has already offered 5 one day courses on Mental Health Awareness to employees this year.

For further information contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3346.

Needs some fitness motivation? Try exercise 4 me

Feeling flat with winter approaching? Get out and boost your mood by getting active! Broxtowe Sports exercise 4 me can help.

Simply visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk/exercise4me to find out about the latest sport and exercise opportunities for children and adults, from your local dance groups, bowling greens, new mums groups and sports clubs, to where you can meet people for a social walk or get involved in activities with people just like you!

New mums enjoy 'Buggy Walks'



Still can't find what you're looking for? Fill out the 'I want 2 get active' online form at www.broxtowe.gov.uk/exercise4mums and Broxtowe Sport will help you find any activity that suits you.

First Bricks Mark New Housing Development

FAMILIES looking to setup home in Broxtowe Borough received a welcome boost in September as the first bricks were laid on a new housing development at Midland Road, Eastwood.

Mayor of the Borough of Broxtowe, Councillor Iris White was joined by Leader of the Council, Councillor Milan Radulovic to lay the first bricks during the ceremony, along with representatives from the contractor, Midlands based Waters Homes.

The properties, on the former garage site on Midland Road, consist of two family homes and four bungalows and are one of four social housing projects currently under construction in the Borough, worth over £6 million.

These new homes are just part of the Council's plan to develop sites and build affordable homes throughout the Borough, with other projects to be developed on sites in Chilwell and Stapleford.

For more information, please contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 7777, email housing@broxtowe.gov.uk or visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk/housing

Broxtowe Youth Homelessness



Stapleford-based charity, Broxtowe Youth Homelessness have been awarded BIG Lottery funding to help support their work for the next three years.

The charity provides home starter packs, emergency food and toiletry parcels and produce a magazine for young people. They also help deliver awareness-raising 'Home

Street Home' workshops in secondary schools to help prevent homelessness amongst young people.

The sessions are delivered by young people who have experienced homelessness who share their stories and direct students to local sources of support and advice. The sessions reached 775 year 10 and 11 students last year.

To find out more, visit www.broxtoweyouthhomeless.org.uk

Retirement Living

Following an extensive review in 2011/12 and a rebranding exercise a new 'Retirement Living' team was created to support independent living for older people and to develop initiatives and promote the Broxtowe Borough Retirement Living concept more widely.

Lots of exciting projects are planned and the first of many was a Retirement Living Open Day at Yew Tree Court and Westbourne Court in celebration of older people's week. The week coincided with National Older People's Day. Lots of activities took place including cinema afternoons, fitness events from crazy golf and wii sports to a games afternoon, scheme olympics and a circus workshop. A learning to 'surf the net' event was also held, followed by an afternoon talk on researching family history.



The Caretaking and Cleaning Team help local residents clean up at Hopkins Court.



The Retirement Living team is also responsible for:

- ensuring an appropriate care package is in place for each tenant
- liaising with other agencies and attending case conferences on behalf of tenants
- making daily, weekly or monthly welfare visits to tenants
- installing and maintaining lifeline systems in council and private properties
- dealing with cases of anti-social behaviour affecting tenants
- holding weekly housing surgeries
- ensuring the Tunstall call system is working
- regular health and safety checks
- provide guidance and support for Social Activity Groups

If you would like more information on retirement living in Broxtowe Borough contact 0115 917 3037 or visit the website at www.broxtowe.gov.uk/retirementliving

Housing



New builds

Planning permission has been granted for the provision of affordable housing on Chewton Street, Eastwood. The site will consist of 36 units that are being developed by Derwent Living and Westleigh Development Ltd. The properties will be owned and managed

by Derwent Living and will be advertised through Homesearch.

Work is expected to start on the development in 2013 – 2014. Work to clear the site is underway and building work will start when the clearance has been completed.

Find out more about Homesearch on the Council's website at www.broxtowe.gov.uk/homesearch

Grants for Replacement of External Doors

The Council is currently offering grants for external door replacement to owner occupiers who are over the

age of 60 and in receipt of one or more means tested benefits.

An external door at the applicant's property must be in poor condition and so giving rise to an increased risk of crime or fear of crime. Funding for the scheme is limited and anyone interested should contact the Private Sector Housing Team on 0115 917 3438 or 3356.

Expert Help with your Building Projects

Whether you are a professional with years of experience or building an extension for the first time, Broxtowe Borough Council's Building Control Service can be an important part of helping to complete your project successfully and on time.

We offer practical solutions to any potential issues and help mitigate the risk. Safety in and around buildings is of prime concern and the

Building Control service helps make sure that your building project complies with building regulations, ensuring that standards are in place to protect you and anyone living or working in and around the building.

Our prices are highly competitive and we offer a time-effective service to ensure that you get your building projects completed to your satisfaction.

For **FREE** advice and to find out how Broxtowe Borough Council can help you, contact 0115 917 3466, email pabc@broxtowe.gov.uk or visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk/buildingcontrol

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One of three social housing projects worth over £6 million was launched in September at a brick laying ceremony for 6 new homes on Midland Road, Eastwood.

Housing Repairs Care!

Punctuality, cleanliness and courtesy are just a few of the newly agreed Customer Care Standards which have now been pledged by Broxtowe Borough Council's Housing Repairs team.

The Customer Care Standard sets out a number of expectations for the Housing Repairs team to ensure a high level of customer care during all repairs carried out to Broxtowe owned dwellings.

To support the new standard with a highly professional appearance, employees have also been provided with new corporate uniforms.

The Housing Repairs team is responsible for works in Council tenant's

properties including the structure and outside of the premises, shared area of buildings and services that supply water, gas, electricity, sanitation and water heating, along with any appliances installed for delivering these services.



Repairs can be reported online by visiting www.broxtowe.gov.uk/housingrepairs

IMPORTANT – Waste and Recycling Collections

Waste and Recycling calendars will no longer be delivered to the homes of borough residents. Calendars will instead be available to download from www.broxtowe.gov.uk

Collections will continue on your established day, with bank holidays rolling one day forward and Good Friday remaining a normal collection day.

Alternatively, residents can text 'BROX NEXT' followed by their postcode then house number i.e. BROX NEXT NG9 1AB 32 to 60075 for details of their next collection.

For more information about these changes, please contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 7777 or visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk



Christmas Collection Arrangements

Details of refuse collections during the Christmas and New Year period are detailed below. Please cut out and save for reference.

Normally collected on	Will be emptied on
Monday 23rd December	Saturday 21st December
Tuesday 24th December	Monday 23rd December
Wednesday 25th December	Tuesday 24th December
Thursday 26th December	Friday 27th December
Friday 27th December	Saturday 28th December
 Monday 30th December	Monday 30th December
Tuesday 31st December	Tuesday 31st December
 Wednesday 1st January 2014	Thursday 2nd January 2014
Thursday 2nd January	Friday 3rd January
Friday 3rd January	Saturday 4th January

The holiday period is a time for even more glass bottles and jars! Order an extra glass bag online at broxtowe.gov.uk/applyforit or by calling 0115 917 7777.

CUT OUT AND SAVE

Environment

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£250,000 contract was awarded by Nottinghamshire County Council to Freestyle Skateparks Ltd, Hertfordshire to complete a new state-of-the-art skatepark in Eastwood by Spring 2014.



Switch 'n' Save On Energy Bills

Over 600 Broxtowe residents registered to switch energy supplier earlier this year, as part of Nottinghamshire County Council's Switch 'n' Save scheme, residents who switched saved an average of £180.00.

Follow these simple steps to help reduce your energy bills:

- Reduce your energy usage by making sure lights are switched off and electronics aren't left on standby.

- Contact your energy supplier to check you are on the right tariff for your circumstances.
- Check if there is a better way to pay your bills – most suppliers offer a discount for paying by direct debit or receiving bills online.
- Try a comparison site to see if you could be getting a better deal with another supplier and look out for local switch and save schemes.

For more information or free advice, contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3989 or 3742.

Goodbye Autumn Leaves!

Great news for gardeners, as Broxtowe Borough Council has extended garden waste collections until Saturday 7th December 2013.

Green-lidded bins can be used for grass cuttings, hedge trimmings, leaves, pruning and twigs, plants and weeds, flowers and houseplants, but should

not be used for food waste, plastic bags, soil and rubble, turf or animal waste.

After the final collection, garden waste collections will resume in March 2014. Residents can also use a brown-lidded bin as well as their green-lidded bin for a one off payment of £26.00.

For more information or to order online contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 7777 or visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk/gardenwaste



Beavers Earn Their Badges

School children from 1st Chilwell Beavers have been working with Broxtowe Borough Council's Waste and Recycling team to create models from recycled items in order to gain their Global Challenge and Creative badges.

As well as making models, the Beavers learned about how we can all do our bit towards caring for the environment.

Prizes were awarded to the winners of the model making competition, including Bob (pictured) who was made by two brothers from the Beavers.



For more information or if you would like the Waste and Recycling team to visit your group or organisation to talk about recycling, email recycling@broxtowe.gov.uk

Learn how to Live4Less

Greening Beeston have launched a new initiative to help local people save money on food, clothing, travel and energy.

The group will be holding workshops to illustrate practical ways to save money on every day expenses.

Greening Beeston is a local group who encourage people to be more environmentally friendly. Seasonal recipes, a virtual beehive and an eco dolls house are just some of the ways they help illustrate how a few simple steps can make a difference to the environment, as well as your bank balance.



For more information about Greening Beeston and the Live4Less initiative, visit www.greeningbeeston.weebly.com





NET Funding to improve Inham Nook

Work is now underway to further improve Inham Nook Recreation Ground in Chilwell thanks to £260,000 of funding from Nottingham City Council as part of NET Phase 2.

Following public consultation, a number of areas were identified for improvement including:

- Skatepark
- Additional outdoor fitness equipment
- New enclosed football/basketball area

- Upgraded tennis courts
- CCTV and additional lighting
- Improvements to the sports pavilion
- Football pitch drainage and bowling green irrigation

The project will complement the new play area, which was funded by Taylor Woodrow Alstom in advance of tram works on the park.

Play Ping Pong In Broadgate Park

Local residents can now play ping pong in Broadgate Park, Beeston thanks to two new table tennis tables.

The tables were installed in August following a successful bid by Broxtowe Borough Council who worked in partnership with local community groups to secure £2,200 funding from Sport England for the outdoor tables and £3,000 from Fields In Trust for tarmac bases to stand the tables on.

Broadgate Park was one of four parks in Broxtowe Borough to be awarded Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field Status to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations in 2012. The award offers the site protection as an area of green space for the public to enjoy and enables the Council to bid for funding to further improve the sites.

£160,000 To Improve Parks and Open Spaces

Over £160,000 has been secured to improve four parks in Broxtowe thanks to partnership working with Groundwork Greater Nottingham, as part of the Nottinghamshire County Council Local Improvement Scheme.

● Manor Farm Recreation Ground, Toton

Consultation is now taking place for a small concrete skate park and the introduction of outdoor fitness equipment.

● Long Lane Recreation Ground, Attenborough

Additional Section 106 funding has been secured to help upgrade the play area with new modern equipment, following consultations with local schools.

● Bramcote Hills Park, Bramcote

Resurfacing of the footpath that links Ilkeston Road Recreation Ground to the schools adjacent to the park, as well as additional seating, fencing and tree planting. One of the new trees planted will be a walnut to replace the large walnut on the edge of the cricket outfield.

● Hickings Lane Recreation Ground, Stapleford

A new stone surfaced footpath around the park along with outdoor fitness equipment. This will allow park visitors to gain access around the full perimeter of the park throughout the year and create opportunities for all generations to improve their fitness.

For more information, contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3507 or email environment@broxtowe.gov.uk

For more information about parks and open spaces in the borough, please contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3643, email env@broxtowe.gov.uk or visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk/leisure



Rate Your Local Park Or Open Space

Broxtowe residents can have their say on how their local park or open space is performing and help create a new Broxtowe Parks Standard by completing a short online questionnaire.

The questionnaire is available at www.broxtowe.gov.uk/localpark and is quick and easy to fill in, using a series of drop down boxes and point and click answers.

The Parks & Environment team are keen to hear from as many residents and users of the parks as possible to find out what areas local people enjoy and what they think could be improved.

For more information, please contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3643 or email env@broxtowe.gov.uk

Tell us about your local park /open space



Broxtowe Borough COUNCIL

We would like to know how your local park or open space is performing. Is it providing what it should and to the right standard? Please visit the Council's website:

www.broxtowe.gov.uk/localpark

Alternatively use the QR code below to access it direct.



The questionnaire is quick and easy to complete with a series of drop-down boxes and 'point and click' answers. For further information please contact the Parks & Environment Team on 0115 917 3625.

Environment cont'd



Community Climate Action Network

Local groups and individuals who are working on climate change, peak oil and energy issues can get free advice and resources from the Community Climate Action Network (CCAN) in Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire.

The network is provided by Broxtowe Borough Council in partnership with the Local Authority Energy Partnership and Marches Energy Agency

and consists of over 300 people representing more than 80 community groups and service providers.

CCAN offer a range of services including monthly e-bulletins, fact sheets and an 'Ask Me a Climate Question' service. They also host events throughout the year, with an EcoHomes Open Day planned for the new year.

For more information or if you would like to join the network, contact Caroline Harmon at the Marches Energy Agency on call 07748 508704, email ccan@mea.org.uk or visit www.everybodys-talking.org

Local Open Spaces Retain Green Flag Award

Bramcote Hills Park and Colliers Wood, Moorgreen have again been announced as two of Keep Britain Tidy's record-breaking number of award winning parks and green spaces for 2013.

The national award recognises and rewards the best parks and green spaces across the country for

their excellent facilities, community involvement and sustainable working practices.

Bramcote Hills Park was awarded its first Green Flag in summer 2006 and Colliers Wood in 2008. Both sites have retained the award every year since.

For more information, please contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3643 or visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk/environment



World Class Skatepark in Eastwood

A flagship skatepark will be built at Coronation Park, Eastwood thanks to partnership funding. Broxtowe Borough Council has contributed £22,000 toward the new facility which will be one of the top skateparks in the country when it opens in Spring 2014.

Freestyle Skateparks will deliver the project, using local specialist suppliers and contractors from Nottinghamshire.

The skatepark design, created jointly by Nottinghamshire County Council Skatepark specialist

Ross Marshall and Freestyle Skateparks will incorporate a wide range of innovative features and ramps designed to test even the most competent of users.

The project is an excellent example of partnership working, with funding from Broxtowe Borough Council, Nottinghamshire County Council, Waste Recycling Environmental (WREN) and local businesses. Local teenagers Beth Lee and Rhianne Lounds helped raise funds which have contributed towards the project.

For more information, please contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3643 or email env@broxtowe.gov.uk



Broxtowe Wildlife Forum

Broxtowe Borough is home to a host of wildlife and the Broxtowe Wildlife Forum works to conserve and improve this natural habitat.

The forum is made up of over 25 local volunteer run groups and organisations, including Broxtowe Borough Council, Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust, Greenwood,

Nottinghamshire Biodiversity Action Group, Friends of Bramcote Ridge, Broxtowe Barn Owl Project and many more who meet every six months to look at various environmental issues.

The group aims to enhance biodiversity in the local area, raise awareness of environmental issues, share information and encourage collaborative working to help protect the local area.



Cetti's Warbler -
Photographer:
Neil Walker



Kingfisher -
Photographer: Sean Browne

If you would like to find out more about Broxtowe Wildlife Forum or become a member, contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3742.

Community Safety



South Nottinghamshire Community Safety Partnership

Working together to make Broxtowe, Gedling and Rushcliffe safer

South Nottinghamshire Community Safety Partnership

South Nottinghamshire Community Safety Partnership is one of Broxtowe Borough's most successful partnerships. It co-ordinates community safety issues in the three boroughs of Rushcliffe, Broxtowe and Gedling.

The partnerships vision is:

To work together in South Nottinghamshire to reduce crime and improve the quality of life for you and your community.

The partners aim to achieve this by:

- Working together and with communities to find local solutions to local problems
- Reducing crime and the fear of crime in neighbourhoods throughout South Nottinghamshire

- Promoting safer communities

- Reducing the misuse of drugs and alcohol and the associated problems.

Annual targets are set by the Police, the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Safer Notts Board to reduce crime across its identified priorities. Targets are also set for priority areas within the county, only two of which are in South Nottinghamshire - Eastwood South and Netherfield and Colwick.

Locally multi agency meetings are held monthly to put in place initiatives to address increases in crime

at a very local level and effectively target resources. Groups also manage cases of anti-social behaviour and works towards enforcement as well as ensuring support is put in place to reduce risks for victims of domestic crime and for vulnerable people who are assessed as being high risk.

Other projects include the management and implementation of the Eastwood action plan other projects to reduce domestic crime and shop theft.



BROXTOWE

COUNTY SOUTH RECOVERY PARTNERSHIP SUBSTANCE MISUSE ADVICE SHEET



Freephone Referral Route: 0800 5200 500

PLEASE PROVIDE DETAILS OF:

- Substance used
- Frequency of usage
- Medical history
- Blood tests
- General health

Contact will be made within 2 days receipt of referral.
Appointment will take place within 14 days of receipt of referral.

The Recovery Partnership provides tailored recovery packages for individuals, families and carers living in Nottinghamshire who are, or who have been, affected by alcohol and drugs. We are a collaboration of the following organisations:

- Double Impact (recovery / reintegration support)
- Framework Housing (tenancy support)
- Hettys (support for parents, carers, family and friends of users)
- Mansfield Citizen Advice Bureau (specialist legal / debt advice)
- Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust (advice and treatment services)

Further information about services available via the Recovery Partnership can be obtained from 0800 5200 500

Substance Misuse Clinics are by appointment only and take place across Broxtowe:
BEESTON EASTWOOD STAPLEFORD HOME VISITS ARE AVAILABLE

www.recoverypartnership.org.uk

Free drop in sessions for domestic violence and abuse support

Victims of domestic abuse are being offered support to protect both themselves and their children from harm thanks to free drop in sessions in Eastwood and Stapleford.

Broxtowe Women's Project (BWP) will run the sessions to help women affected by domestic violence access

the specialist support and services they need to improve both their own and their families' quality of life. The sessions take place in Eastwood every Monday between 10.00am and 1.00pm and alternate Wednesdays in Stapleford between 10.00am and 1.00pm until the end of the year.

Funded by Nottingham West Clinical Commissioning Groups, Choosing Health and Lifestyle Funds, the confidential sessions are on a one-to-one basis with a dedicated support worker who can offer women advice and support on a range of issues including housing, safety planning, child contact and health. Women may need emotional support, advocacy or practical help with forms such as online housing applications or signposting to other specialist agencies.



For more information and to find out more about the sessions, please contact Broxtowe Women's Project on 01773 719 111 or text 07914634190, 10.00am -1.00pm, Mon - Fri, confidential answerphone. Alternatively, visit www.broxtowewomensproject.org.uk

Eastwood South Focus Group

The Eastwood South Focus group is a non-political, partnership group whose aim is to improve community safety and contribute towards crime reduction in Eastwood South.

The group has met monthly since February 2013 and uses crime data and analysis alongside the local knowledge and expertise of group members as well as information from the local community to formulate and deliver the Eastwood South action plan.

Projects in the action plan include work to address drugs and alcohol issues, crime prevention, drop-in sessions, domestic abuse awareness raising, environmental improvements and much more.

Eastwood South is the only Partnership Plus area in the borough of Broxtowe and receives funding from the Police and Crime Commissioner to carry out this additional work.

Partners involved in the work of the Eastwood South Focus Group include Notts Police, Broxtowe Borough Council, Notts Fire and Rescue, Notts County Council, Broxtowe Women's Project, Eastwood Town Council and the voluntary sector.

For further information please contact Communities at Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3744.

Tackling Racism

Being British and Tackling Racism workshops use a collection of flags from around the world to explore what it means to be British in today's world. The workshops, funded from the Broxtowe Borough Partnership 'Choosing Health' pot, have been used by the Broxtowe Community Celebration Group (BCCG) to deliver the workshops to young people in the borough.

The purpose of the workshops is to encourage young people to explore cultures, relationships, attitudes and prejudice.

"We want our young people to confidently live, work and socialise in an ever changing globalised environment" said Jill Carter, a volunteer with BCCG.

Workshops have been delivered to young people at Stapleford Skills for Employment group, pupils at George Spencer School and young people taking part in the National Citizenship Scheme summer programme.

If you would like to get involved please contact Communities at Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 197 3712 or email communities@broxtowe.gov.uk

Community Safety



Broxtowe Shared Services Launched

Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner, Paddy Tipping joined Mayor of the Borough of Broxtowe, Councillor Iris White to officially launch Broxtowe Borough Shared Services at the Council Offices, Beeston earlier this year.

In May, Beeston Police Station closed and Police services were relocated

to Broxtowe Borough Council's offices, in Foster Avenue, Beeston.

The Police join other local services including Citizens Advice Bureau, Nottinghamshire County Council, JobCentre Plus and Broxtowe Mediation Service who also share the building alongside the Borough Council.

PARTNERS in ACTION



A Police front counter service is available from Monday to Thursday, 8.30am until 5.00pm, and Fridays 8.30am until 4.30pm. If you need to

The shared CCTV monitoring service run from a single control room will achieve joint savings estimated at more than £30,000 in the first year of operation.

contact the Police outside of these hours, a yellow telephone is located outside the main entrance which will give you direct out of hours contact to the Police.

The move has promoted closer working relationships between the Council and the Police which will help generate significant savings and protect front line services and jobs.

For more information, or to find out opening hours for each of the services visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk or call 0115 917 7777.

If you have any information about crime in the area, or you want to speak to a local officer, call 101 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.



The McKenzie Friend

Midlands Women's Aid has been awarded funding from the Police Crime Commissioners Community Safety Partnership Fund to provide specialist support to women attending the Civil and Family Court for victims of domestic abuse who have no other representative. The project entitled 'The McKenzie Friend' will be supported by Victim Support which

provides the Witness Support Service in court.

As of September, women will be able to ask for a McKenzie Friend through Midlands Women's Aid if they are attending the family court but have no other representation and are unable to get legal aid.

For more information on this project, please contact 0115 925 7647. Alternatively, visit www.midlandswomensaid.org.uk

Shared CCTV Service

Kelham Hall, Newark has become the electronic nerve-centre overseeing CCTV cameras covering three Nottinghamshire districts in a move designed to save money for all three local authorities involved – Ashfield, Broxtowe and Newark & Sherwood Councils.

The new control room is already handling wireless feeds from all cameras in Ashfield and parts of Newark & Sherwood and Broxtowe. The town centres which will be, or are, being monitored in Broxtowe are Beeston, Eastwood, Kimberley and Stapleford.



Running a shared service in this way is an excellent example of how councils can work across political boundaries to deliver value for money to local people, without compromising the level of service they receive.

Broxtowe Borough Council is committed to ensuring the borough remains a place where residents feel safe and secure in their community and the changes to this service are an essential part of that commitment.



NET tram extensions generate local employment & work

Nearly 1,000 people are being employed to extend the NET service, which already serves the Nuthall area of the borough, from Nottingham city centre to Beeston and Chilwell.

Around 50% of the jobs are being filled by people who live in Greater Nottingham and the surrounding area, including people living in Broxtowe.

Local firms are also benefiting from the 17.5km extension

project, with around £43million worth of construction contracts being awarded to companies in Nottingham and its surrounding districts.

This figure is set to rise further in the coming months as activity peaks in the construction of the tram network. Track laying is already taking place

in many areas, including Beeston Town Centre and in Chilwell and on the roads, utility services are being moved away from the tram route so that further tram tracks can be laid and tram stops installed.

All shops and businesses where tram works are taking place remain open as usual and ready for your custom.

The expanded tram service, which will also be extended to Wilford and Clifton in the south of Greater Nottingham, is expected to open to the public by the end of 2014.

To keep up to date with news of the tram extension by visiting www.thetram.net/phasetwo or calling 0115 924 24 54.



Return of the Farmers Market

Following its success last year, the Farmers Market returned to Beeston Square in October where it will now be a monthly fixture. All produce is of a high quality and all made, grown or reared in the East Midlands.

The dates for 2013 are below:

- Saturday 16th November
- Saturday 21st December

For more information about the market, please contact the Beeston BID team on 0115 871 2037.

'Lets go To Beeston' Facebook

Did you know that Beeston has its own Facebook page? The 'Lets Go To Beeston' page is a great place to find out what is happening in the town as well as the opportunity to enter competitions. Simply visit and 'like' our page at www.facebook.com/letsgotobeeston

Chilwell High Road

Chilwell High Road now has its own unique web site so you can find out more about who to visit, what's on and opening hours www.chilwellhighroad.co.uk

Town centre web pages

New town centre web pages have been created on Broxtowe Borough Council's website at www.broxtowe.gov.uk/

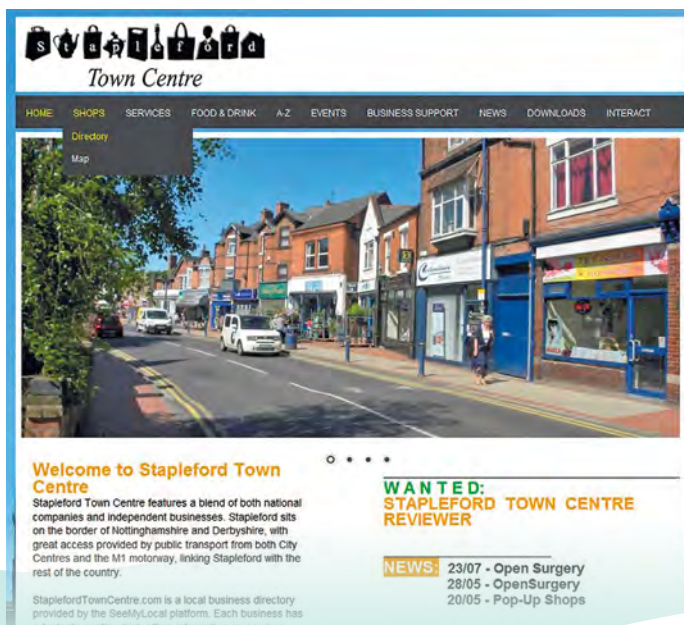
towncentres. The pages now feature occupancy rates monitoring amongst other things which show

that currently the borough is doing well against the national averages.

Both Stapleford and Eastwood now have increased online presence through the creation of two new websites. The websites are FREE to join for local businesses and act as a local business directory and news hub for town centre related topics.

Please visit www.staplefordtowncentre.com and www.eastwoodtowncentre.com

For more information on town centre webpages please contact 0115 917 3043, email towncentres@broxtowe.gov.uk



Jobs and Business Growth



What's happening in the Town Centres

Following the creation of the Town Team in Stapleford, a number of projects have now started. The action plan and interaction with local businesses has driven the development of a free online portal for businesses to update their own microsite and submit local news and event details which promote the town.

There is a new discount scheme through a partnership with Trent Barton and their established MANGO card and more open meetings are planned in the future months to keep

the momentum going.

In Eastwood & Kimberley work has started with businesses to create their own town team who will help identify initiatives that will help boost both these areas.

The council continues to support the Beeston Bid and you can read more about their progress on the next few pages.

Work has also taken place alongside the Kimberley Regeneration Group, organising the '100th Celebration of the Ripley

Rattler' event. An open top tram car visited Kimberley from Crich Tramway Museum and also featured a market and themed bus from Trent Barton.

As well as on-going support for those who received grants through the High Street Innovation Fund new projects for 2013/14 include a 'Virtual Shop' where vinyl graphics will transform empty shops into virtual book stores, restaurants or other desirable retailers in the borough.



For more information, please contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3043, email towncentres@broxtowe.gov.uk or visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk/towncentres

PARTNERS in ACTION



In September 2013 all the four town centres of Beeston, Eastwood, Kimberley and Stapleford boasted retail and leisure occupancy rates of over 90%. £100,000 of funding from the High Street Innovation fund has helped contribute to this over the national average rate.

Markets on the Increase



Broxtowe Supports Apprentices

Broxtowe Borough Council showcased National Apprenticeship week with a display in the Council Office reception in Beeston in March. By raising the profile of the achievements and benefits of apprenticeships the Council joined organisations across the UK to encourage others to get involved.

The week is designed to celebrate apprenticeships and the positive impact they have on individuals, businesses and the economy.

Broxtowe Borough Council is committed to developing apprenticeship placements and already has established

an apprenticeship programme and currently employs apprentices. These apprentices work in a variety of roles across all the Council services including Housing Repairs, Corporate Communications, Transport, Building Services, Economic Development and Leisure.

All apprenticeship positions available with Broxtowe Borough Council are published on the Council's website, as well as being published to the Broxtowe Borough Council Facebook and Twitter profiles.

Thanks to a change to the Town Squares Usage Policy, Beeston is now hosting a market every Monday in the Square. The market has been organised in partnership with Stall-it, a not-for-profit organisation, whose mission is "to enable new start-ups and independents to trade on disused or underused private land and public spaces".

Following on from this success the Council is

hoping to expand the market into Stapleford, Eastwood and Kimberley and hold more regular markets of all types across the borough.

Markets can be a powerful tool for harnessing entrepreneurial talent and innovation and are vital in encouraging people to take their new business ideas to the next level before establishing permanent homes on the high street.

If you have any ideas or suggestions for markets in the borough, or would like some more information on already established markets, please contact 0115 917 3043, email towncentres@broxtowe.gov.uk or visit www.broxtowe.gov.uk/towncentres

For more information, please contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3365.



Money Matters

2012/13 Annual Report Summary

Each year Broxtowe Borough Council must decide how it will spend the money it receives from the council tax you pay and the government grant we receive.

BUDGET CONSULTATION

As with all other local authorities the Council is expecting to see government funding cut significantly over the next two years by well over 25% and will have to reduce its spending accordingly.

Your views are important to us in helping to identify areas where we should look to cut costs or raise new income.

An on-line budget consultation tool is being used to help

gather your views. This can be found at <https://youchoose.yougov.co.uk/BroxtoweBC>.

The consultation will be running until Friday 15th November 2013 so please go on-line and make your views known.

For more information, please contact Broxtowe Borough Council on 0115 917 3228 or email finance@broxtowe.gov.uk

GENERAL FUND

This covers all the day-to-day running costs of the Council's services with the exception of council housing. It includes salaries and wages, fuel, transport and general office running costs as well as income from fees and charges.



HOW THE MONEY WAS RAISED (£ million)

Revenue Support Grant from the Government
0.113

Share of Business Rates
5.809

Council Tax
5.761

Share of Additional Council Tax Collected in Previous Years
0.025

WHERE THE MONEY WAS SPENT (£ million)

Housing
1.409

Environment
5.835

Jobs and Business Growth
1.189

Community Safety
0.490

Bringing People Together
2.141

Regulatory Services
1.014

Resources
(0.870)

Total	11.708	11.208
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The main spending areas include: refuse collection and recycling, leisure centres, community events, street cleansing, crime and disorder, interest payable on outstanding loans and parks and open spaces. Over £29.7 million was spent on housing and council tax benefits. This is almost all reimbursed to the authority by the government. In 2012/13 the Council spent £11.208 million on General Fund services after taking account of all of the income received.

The Council receives a grant from the government towards the cost of these services, which includes an element to reflect income collected from business rates up and down the country. Council tax meets over one third of the cost of the services. The level of council tax is set by the Council each year and amounts payable by individual households vary according to what part of the borough the property is in and the value of the property. The latter is used by the Valuation Office to place each property in one of eight bands for council tax purposes.

In 2012/13 income exceeded expenditure by £0.500 million and this was added to the Council's reserves, which totalled £3.387 million at the end of 2012/13.

The expenditure of £11.208 million represented an under spend of £0.890 million against the budget. A number of factors contributed to the under spend including savings on employee costs and additional income, as well as a reduction in the residual costs of housing and council tax benefits. Part of the under spend, totalling £0.369 million, has been carried forward to 2013/14 to enable work originally planned for 2012/13 to be completed.



CAPITAL SPENDING

In 2012/13 £3.335 million of the financing for capital projects came from the Major Repairs reserve. Significant expenditure was financed from other grants and contributions including sums received from the Homes and Communities Agency towards the building of new homes and from Growth Point towards major environmental schemes and from the East Midlands Regional Housing Board to increase the proportion of vulnerable households in the private sector that live in decent homes.

Shortfalls in funding to meet the cost of the capital projects are generally met from additional borrowing. New borrowing of £2.159 million was taken in 2012/13 to bring the overall level of borrowing to £90.329 million at 31 March 2013. Interest payable on this borrowing is included within the General Fund or Housing Revenue Account as appropriate.

Capital Spending in 2012/13 included £3.027 million on a housing modernisation programme and £1.708 million on gas and energy improvements to maintain the council housing stock at or above the Decent Homes Standard plus £0.483 million on grants to help the disabled to remain in their own homes. The 2012/13 capital spending of £2.733 million represented an under spend of £2.733 million compared with the capital programme. A sum of £2.666 million has been carried forward to 2013/14 to enable capital schemes that commenced in 2012/13 to be completed.



HOW THE MONEY WAS RAISED (£ million)

New Borrowing	2.159
Grants and Contributions	1.669
Proceeds from Sales of Capital Assets	0.198
Internal Funds	4.456

WHERE THE MONEY WAS SPENT (£ million)

Council Housing	6.121
Leisure Centre Improvements	0.057
New Vehicles	0.469
Grants towards Affordable Housing and Improvements	0.500
Information Technology Equipment and Systems	0.173
Environmental Improvements	0.330
Parks and Recreation Grounds	0.145
Other Schemes	0.787

Total 8.582 8.582

HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT

This account relates to the day-to-day costs and income in respect of council housing. Income is predominantly from council house and garage rents. The Council fixes rent levels annually, although those relating to housing are based upon guidance issued by the government. This guidance takes account of the size and assessed value of the properties in question.

Over a quarter of the expenditure is on day-to-day repairs and maintenance of the housing stock. This is in addition to the more substantial modernisation schemes. At 31 March 2013 the Council's housing stock totalled 4,627 properties.



HOW THE MONEY WAS RAISED (£ million)

Housing Rent Income	15.449
Garage Rent Income	0.168
Supporting People Grant	0.531
Fees and Charges	0.085
HRA Subsidy	0.001

WHERE THE MONEY WAS SPENT (£ million)

Repairs and Maintenance	3.451
Supervision and Management	3.620
Capital Expenditure financed by HRA	0.680
Charges for Capital	5.987

Total 16.234 13.738

In 2012/13 income exceeded expenditure by £2.496 million and this was added to the Housing Revenue Account balance, which totalled £3.344 million at the end of the year.

The Housing Revenue Account outturn for 2012/13 showed an under spend of £1.888 million against the revised budget. A sum of £0.188 million has been carried forward to 2013/14 to enable schemes that commenced in 2012/13 to be completed.



Broxtowe Borough Council

Useful addresses and telephone numbers

NET Support Hotline
Tel: 0115 924 2454

COUNCIL SERVICES

Council Offices & Town Hall
Foster Avenue
Beeston, NG9 1AB

Stapleford Office
Carnegie Civic & Community Centre
Warren Avenue, Stapleford, NG9 8EY

Eastwood Customer Services Shop
15 Nottingham Road, Eastwood, NG16 3AP

Kimberley Depot
Eastwood Road, Kimberley, NG16 2HX

All above offices
Tel: 0115 917 7777
www.broxtowe.gov.uk

HANDITILL FACILITIES

Kimberley Post Office
28 Main Street, Kimberley

COUNCIL HOUSING REPAIRS

Daytime and out of hours
Tel: 0115 917 7777

TOURISM AND LEISURE FACILITIES

D.H. Lawrence Heritage Centre,
Mansfield Road, Eastwood, NG16 3DZ

D.H. Lawrence Birthplace Museum,
8a Victoria Street, Eastwood, NG16 3AW

Tel: 01773 717 353
www.dhlawrenceheritage.org

SPORTS CENTRES

www.broxtowe.gov.uk/leisure

Bramcote Leisure Centre
Tel: 0115 917 3000

Chilwell Olympia Sports Centre
Tel: 0115 917 3333

Eastwood Community Sports Centre
Tel: 0115 917 3573

Kimberley Leisure Centre
Tel: 0115 917 3366

OTHER USEFUL SERVICES, ADDRESSES & TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Citizens Advice Broxtowe
Council Offices
Foster Avenue, Beeston NG9 1AB
Tel: 0844 499 1193
bureau@eastwood.cabnet.org.uk

Citizens Advice Broxtowe
Library & Information Centre
Wellington Place, Eastwood NG16 3BG
Tel: 0844 499 4194
bureau@eastwood.cabnet.org.uk
www.citizensadvice.org.uk

Broxtowe Help Directory –
Tel: 01773 535 255
admin@evbvols.org.uk
www.broxtowehelpdirectory.org.uk

Age UK 0800 169 6565

Consumer Direct 08454 040506

NHS Direct
24 hour Nurse & Health Advice
Tel: 0845 4647

Nottinghamshire County Council
Tel: 0300 500 8080

Voluntary Action Broxtowe
Oban House
8 Chilwell Road
Beeston, Nottingham NG9 1EJ
Tel: 0115 917 8080

Eastwood Volunteer Bureau
Wellington Place (rear of Library)
Eastwood, Nottingham NG16 3BG
Tel: 01773 535 255

The Helpful Bureau
39-41 Church Street
Stapleford, Nottingham NG9 8DB
Tel: 0115 949 1175

Nottinghamshire Police
(Non-emergencies)
101

Crime Stoppers
0800 555 111

Sure Start Children's Centre, Eastwood
0115 993 9750

Contact your local councillor

All details available on the website at
www.broxtowe.gov.uk/yourcouncillor

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Keep up-to-date with the latest Council news, jobs and activities in your area by following Broxtowe Borough Council on your favourite social networking sites.



www.broxtowe.gov.uk/socialmedia

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如果你需要此傳單用其他的形式或文字寫成，請撥電話 0115 917 7777 與我們聯絡。

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If you need this leaflet in other formats or languages contact us on 0115 917 7777

This document is available in large print upon request.

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Working together to make Broxtowe, Gedling and Rushcliffe safer

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www.sncsp.org.uk

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