

Welcome to Braunston



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Chris Bichard
Chairman
Braunston Parish Council

We are very pleased to welcome you to Braunston.

In this welcome pack you will find lots of useful information about our village, including clubs, facilities and useful phone numbers.

There is plenty to do and see in and around Braunston and we look forward to getting to know you.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us. There are plenty of contact details later on, which should allow you to find out almost anything!

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Chris Bichard', written in a cursive style.

Chris Bichard
01572 756694

Brief history of Braunston

Braunston-in-Rutland is a village in the county of Rutland in the East Midlands of England. Leicestershire lies on the parish's western boundary; Braunston is located roughly three miles south-west of the county town of Oakham.

The village has lots of history, with records going back to the middle ages. More recently the Cheseldenes left their mark, up until around 1700, followed by the Hanburys who maintained an interest in the village until quite recently. You can discover many references to these families as you go around the village.

We have two public houses, The Old Plough, and the 17th century Blue Ball Inn which claims to be the oldest inn in the county of Rutland.

The church, in a circular churchyard, is dedicated to All Saints.

A curious sculpted stone stands in the churchyard, at the west end of the church, close to the tower. Known as the Braunston "Goddess", it was found in about 1920 when the church doorstep needed to be replaced. When the slab was lifted this carving was revealed on the underside. There has been considerable speculation as to its age and meaning, and its original position as part of the church building, or whether it may even predate the church.



Nowadays, we have a thriving community of about 180 households, with around four hundred people.

The Beadman family have been here in Braunston since 1817, and have now reached their seventh generation. John and Connie Beadman are a font of information about village history, and are always keen to share their knowledge; their notice on the church notice board expressing interest in local and family history. This is quite popular with visitors to the village. Les Lickman holds a wonderful archive of local photographs; he is willing to share these and his knowledge of the development of the village over the years.

Map of Braunston

<https://www.google.co.uk/maps/@52.6526715,-0.7713471,17z>

<https://www.google.co.uk/maps/@52.6522799,-0.7696295,574m/data=!3m1!1e3>



Village communications

Village Newsletter:

Editor: Paul Rogerson at braunstonnews@gmail.com

Deadline for copy: 13th of the month

Village Website: <http://braunstoninrutland.leicestershireparishcouncils.org/>

Notice board: Bus shelter by Church

Newsletter

There is a free monthly newsletter which gives details of what's happening in and around Braunston. It is delivered by members of the Parish Council towards the end of each month. You can receive a copy by email if you let Paul know your email address.

Website <http://braunstoninrutland.leicestershireparishcouncils.org/>

The Braunston website is under constant review and development. The webmaster is Paul Rogerson, who is always keen to incorporate new information as it arises, and to receive helpful suggestions on how to improve the site braunstonnews@gmail.com. We hope that it is becoming a useful source for people wanting to find out more about Braunston, and what goes on here.

Notice boards

We have one village notice board, next to the churchyard, and opposite the Blue Ball pub. General notices of village events can be posted there. There is a section for Parish Council business which notifies dates and agenda for parish meetings.

Broadband

In Braunston you should now be able to connect to broadband at download speeds up to 65mbps; both fibre and wireless broadband were connected to the village in early 2016. All of the regular Internet Service Providers (ISPs) offer a connection to fibre (FTTC), and HERBS has a wireless broadband service which broadcasts from the Church tower.

Local Government and local Member of Parliament

Parish Council

- Parish Council Chairman: Chris Bichard
Phone: 01572 756694
Email: cbichard@hotmail.co.uk
- Parish Clerk: Carole Brown
Phone: 01572 717968
Email: clerk.braunston@gmail.com
- Parish Council Deputy Chairman and Treasurer: Richard Beadman
Phone: 01572 723381
Email: Richard@rutlanders.com
- Parish Councillor: John Harry
Phone: 01572 757604
Email: jeharry@btinternet.com
- Parish Councillor: Emlyn Smith
Phone: 01572-759613
Email: smith937@btinternet.com
- Parish Councillor: Jim Atack
Phone: 01572-759556
Email: jim.atack@gmail.com
- Parish Councillor: Adam Brown
Phone: 01572 723283
Email: adambrown.braunston@gmail.com
- Parish Councillor: Janice Brunskill
Phone: 01572 770028
Email: janice.brunskill@googlemail.com

Parish Council Meetings take place on the second Thursday of every other month and anyone is welcome to attend. Dates and agendas are posted on the village notice board opposite the Blue Ball. Much Parish information, including meeting agendas and minutes, is also posted on the village website:

<http://braunstoninrutland.leicestershireparishcouncils.org/>

Rutland County Council

Your Councillor is William Cross

Phone: 01572 755744

Email: wcross@rutland.gov.uk

Web: <http://www.rutland.gov.uk/>

Local Member of Parliament

Your MP is Sir Alan Duncan

Phone: 01664 411211

Email: alan.duncan.mp@parliament.uk

Web: <http://www.alanduncan.org.uk/>

Village facilities and services

- Church - All Saints, Church Street Vicar: Pending



Web: <http://www.achurchnearyou.com/braunston/>

Church Wardens: David Dyer 01572 771564

Rob Anderson 01572 774388

PCC Treasurer: Pat Anderson 01572 774388

Lay Reader: Alan Rudge 01572 755570

Parish Evangelist: Gail Rudge 01572 755570

PCC Secretary: Mrs M E Dyer 01572 771564

Tower Captain: Richard Beadman 01572 723382

- Village Hall (Braunston and Brooke)



Booking Secretary: Janet Taylor

email: bookings@braunstonvillagehall.co.uk

Phone: 01572 759556

Web: <http://www.braunstonvillagehall.co.uk/>

- Dentist Practice Dentith & Dentith
Southview, 83 South Street, Oakham, Rutland. LE15 6BG
Phone: 01572 755970 / 757651
E-mail: sldentith@btconnect.com
- Doctors Surgery: Oakham Medical Practice, Cold Overton Road, Oakham,
Phone: 01572 722621
Web: www.Oakhammedicalpractice.co.uk

- Pubs

The Old Plough, 2 Church Street, Braunston, Oakham, LE15 8QT
Phone: 01572 722714
Web: www.rutnet.co.uk/customers/oldplough/default.htm

Blue Ball, 6 Cedar Street, Braunston, Oakham, LE15 8QS
Email: blueballbraunston@gmail.com
Phone: 01572 491077
Web: www.theblueballbraunston.co.uk/

- Oakham Library, Catmose Street, Oakham, LE15 6HW
Phone: 01572 722918
Email libraries@rutland.gov.uk
Opening times:
Monday 9.00 - 5.00 Tuesday 9.00 - 6.00 Wednesday 9.00 - 6.00
Thursday 9.00 - 5.00 Friday 9.00 - 6.00 Saturday 9.00 - 4.00

Emergency services

Ambulance Service

- In an emergency, call the Ambulance Service on: 999
- Alternatively, call NHS Direct: 0845 46 47
- Your nearest hospital with an A&E department is:
Leicester Royal Infirmary (15.5 miles) Infirmary Square, Leicester, LE1 5WW
Tel: 0300 303 1573

Fire Service

- In the event of a fire, call the Fire Service on: 999

Police

- In an emergency, call the Police on: 999
- For non-emergencies contact:
Oakham Police Station
15 - 17 Station Road
Oakham
Rutland
LE15 6QT

phone: 101

Monday 10am - 2pm, 2.45pm - 6pm
Tuesday 10am - 2pm, 2.45pm - 6pm
Wednesday 10am - 2pm, 2.45pm - 6pm
Thursday 10am - 2pm, 2.45pm - 6pm
Friday 10am - 2pm, 2.45pm - 6pm

Web: http://www.leics.police.uk/policing/3_counties_bcu/26_rutland/stations/8_oakham/

- Police/Community Support Officers
Community Support Officers: Jay Cooper, Nicole Welsh
Constables: Sue Cockerill, Joe Lloyd Sergeant: Lee Morris

Phone: 0116 229 8980

Web:

http://www.ukcrimestats.com/Neighbourhood/Leicestershire_Constabulary/Oakham_Town_and_Barleythorpe

British Telecom fault reporting

- To report a telephone fault
Phone: 0800 800 151
- To check or track phone or broadband problems online
Web: www.bt.com/consumerFaultTracking/

Electricity helpline

- If you spot a potential hazard on or near an overhead electricity line warn anyone in the vicinity to evacuate the area and contact the National Grid:
- Phone: 0800 40 40 90
Web: www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity
- In the event of a power cut please contact our local provider, Western Power on:
0800 056 8090

Water helpline

- If you find a leak or burst pipe in your home, you should telephone a plumber immediately.
- If you see a water leak or burst pipe in the road, on a pavement or any other place, phone Severn Trent, 0800 783 4444
- For help and information on leaks, bursts, burst mains, water pressure and other water or sewerage related problems you can contact Severn Trent (this line is available 24 hours a day)
Web: <http://www.stwater.co.uk/#>

Village clubs and societies


- Church bell ringing practice – Wednesday nights at All Saints
Leader: Richard Beadman
Phone: 01572 723382
- Mothers and Toddlers – 10 – 12, Thurs mornings (term time only), village hall. Toys, crafts and singing.
Contact Sue Bichard
Phone: 01572 756694
- Table Tennis - 7.30, Tuesday and Thursday nights, village hall
Contact: David Smart
Phone: 01664 474354
- Indoor Bowls - 7.30, Alternate Friday Nights, village hall
Contact: Sandra Lickman
Phone: 01572 722536
- Gardening Club - 7.30, 3rd Thursday, village hall
Contact: Mary Brooks
Phone: 01572 723047
- Good Neighbour Scheme
Name: Jim Atack
Phone: 07955 735582
Web: <http://braunstoninrutland.leicestershireparishcouncils.org/good-neighbour-scheme.html>
- Women's Institute
Contact: Joy Coleman
Phone: 01572 755813
- Ladies' Pub Night - First Wednesday in the month, 8pm at the Blue Ball

- Braunston Oil Buying Group
Chandlers Oil
Phone: 08456 202010
Web: <https://groups.chandlersoil.com/braunston-in-rutland>

Local events

May Fayre	May
Safari Supper	January and June
Flower and Produce Show	August

Local businesses and Services

- Babysitting services
Name: Georgina (22) or Tom Beadman (19) Both experienced babysitters
Phone: 01572 723382
 - House Cleaning services
Debra Paul, 9 Lammas Close
Phone: 078500 77560
Email: debpaull1212@hotmail.co.uk
 - Bed and Breakfast – Gable Cottage, Ratts Lane, Braunston.
Phone: 01572 723382
Web: www.accommodationoakham.co.uk
 - Bed and Breakfast, Rutland Cottages, 5 Cedar St.
Call: Connie and John Beadman
Phone: 01572 722049
Email: c.beadman@btconnect.com
Web: www.rutlandbandbcottages.co.uk
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- Naturally grown English cut flowers for weddings, functions and hand ties
The Meadow Garden, Chapter Farm, Wood La., Braunston, LE15 8QZ
Phone: 01572 345050
Email: themeadowgarden@aol.com
Web: www.themeadowgarden.co.uk
 - Charcuterie products - from pork pies to duck bacon, biltong to venison salamis
The Rutland Charcuterie, The Granary, Chestnut Farm, Wood La., Braunston LE15 8QZ
Phone: 01572 724655
Email: info@rutlandcharcuterie.com
Web: <http://www.rutlandcharcuterie.com/>

- Dog Walking – Fiona on 01572 723382
Josie on 01572 868723

Nearest Supermarkets: Tesco on South Street, and the Co-op on Burley Road.

Aldi is scheduled to open next to the BP station on the bypass, in September 2016.

Convenience store: Co-op on Braunston Rd., Oakham

Leisure and recreation

Braunston and Brooke Village Hall is located at the bottom of the village, next to All Saints Church.

Braunston has a large grassed play area on Brooke Road, close to the junction with Church Street. There are several pieces of play equipment, mostly with rubber surfaces.

Catmose Sports Facility in Oakham

<http://www.stevenage-leisure.co.uk/CentrenbspLocator/CatmoseSports>

Rutland Running and Triathlon Club

Email: enquiries@rutlandrunandtri.co.uk

Web: www.rutlandrunandtri.co.uk

Braunston 2016 and 2017 waste and recycling collection calendar

Collection day in Braunston is **Wednesday** except at **Christmas**

April	6	13	20	27	
May	4	11	18	25	
June	1	8	15	22	29
July		6	13	20	27
August		3	10	17	24
September	7	14	21	28	
October	5	12	19	26	
November	2	9	16	23	30
December	7	14	21	29	
January	4	11	18	25	
February	1	8	15	22	
March	1	8	15	22	29

Green bin is collected on the same day as grey bin

Full details can be obtained at: http://www.rutland.gov.uk/waste_and_recycling.aspx

Nearest Recycling Centre

Civic Amenity Site at Cottesmore

Fly-tipping

If you wish to report fly-tipping, please contact Rutland County Council on the details above. Alternatively, report it to our Parish Clerk.

Volunteer opportunities

There are regular projects in Braunston that require volunteer work, including:

- Good Neighbour scheme
- Litter picking
- Neighbourhood Watch
- May Fayre
- Flower and Produce show

Plans for the future of the village

Braunston village is a conservation village and is designated as a 'Restraint' village in the Rutland County Plan. This effectively prevents new building developments within the village.

The Parish Council holds a number of projects, which are progressed as time, money and resources become available. Where there is a pressing need individual projects will be set up and aggressive fund raising undertaken to pursue these goals. There is a full list on the website.

Current Projects are:

Good Neighbour Scheme
Potential for allotments
Traffic Calming
Footpath to the Seek, and on to Oakham

Neighbouring villages and towns

Oakham	Uppingham	Stamford
Nottingham	Peterborough	Leicester

Transport Links

Taxi: Berridge Taxis
Website: berridgetaxis.com
Email: bookings@berridgetaxis.com
Phone: 01572 756090

Oakham Station: for cross-country services and link to Peterborough for London lines. Station is manned part time Mon – Fri 06:30 – 12:45 Sat 07:30 – 14:10

Other useful contacts

- Age Concern
The Rutland Volunteer Centre, Barleythorpe Road, Oakham, LE15 6QH
Phone: 01572 770324
- Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB)
56 High St, Oakham, LE15 6AL
Phone: 0845 120 3705
Web: <http://rutlandcab.org.uk/>
- Job Centre Plus
Post Office Building, Market Square, Oakham, LE15 6DT
Phone: 01572 654100
Web: www.jobcentreplus.gov.uk