Welcome to Braunston
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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

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 two 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; check out 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: email braunston.newsletter@gmail.com
Deadline for copy: 15th of the month

Village Website: http://b 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 Andy know your email address.

Website http://b Braunstoninrutland.leicestershireparishcouncils.org/

The Braunston website is under constant review and development. The webmaster is Janet Taylor, who is always keen to incorporate new information as it arises, and to receive helpful suggestions on how to improve the site (jtaylor.braunston@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 in Cedar Street. 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 downloads speeds up to 75mbps; 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: Jane Ellis
  Phone: 0786-750-1272
  Email: janeenellis17@gmail.com

- Parish Councillor: Peter Allen
  Phone: 01572 723913
  Email: peter.allen@consultselect.com

Parish Council Meetings take place on the second Thursday of every other month and everyone 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 Alicia Kearns
Phone: 01664 411211
Email: alicia.kearns.mp@parliament.uk
Web:

Village facilities and services

- Church - All Saints, Church Street  Vicar: Chris Rattenberry

![Church](image)

Church Wardens: David Dyer 01572 771564  Parish Evangelist: Gail Rudge 01572 755570
Rob Anderson 01572 774388
Parish Evangelist: Gail Rudge 01572 755570
PCC Treasurer: Pat Anderson 01572 774388  PCC Secretary: Mrs M E Dyer 01572 771564
Lay Reader: Alan Rudge 01572 755570  Tower Captain: Richard Beadman 01572 723382
Web: http://www.achurchnearyou.com/braunston/

- Village Hall (Braunston and Brooke)

![Village Hall](image)

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: 111
- 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 the police officer who is now resident in the Rutland County Council offices
- Rutland County Council
  Catmose, Oakham
  Rutland, LE15 6HP

  **Monday** to Friday: 10am - 2pm, 2.45pm - 6pm

  Phone: 01572 722577
  101 for access to the central police phone line

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

- Table Tennis - 7.30, Tuesday and Wednesday evening, 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

- Pilates – Friday morning, village hall
  - Contact: Alison Sentance
  - Phone: 07496 814825

- Quilting group – Wednesday, village hall
  - Contact: Elaine Smith
Phone: 01780 756004
• Afternoon Tea Party – monthly in the village hall
  Contact: Angela Lashbrook
  Phone: 01572 720351

• 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 Bank Holiday
Safari Supper January and June
Flower and Produce Show August

Local businesses and Services

• House Cleaning services
  Debra Paul, 9 Lammas Close
  Phone: 078500 77560
  Email: debpaul1212@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

• 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 in Oakham: Tesco on South Street, and the Co-op on Burley Road.
  Aldi just off Pillings Rd, next to the BP station on the bypass
  Lidl, Barleythorpe Rd
Convenience store: Co-op on Braunston Rd

**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
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:

- 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:

- 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: www.berridgetaxis.com
Email: bookings@berridgetaxis.com
Phone: 01572 756088

Oakham Station: for Cross Country services and links to Peterborough and Leicester for London lines. Station is manned: Mon - Fri 06:00 - 15:45, Sat 07:45 - 14:15, Sun 12:00 – 19:00

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/