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The Village Link

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Celebrations as Olympic Torch travels through Streethay.



The Torch carried by Mr. Adrian Thompson, ENT Surgeon

On the 20th June the Olympic torch was brought through Streethay on its journey through Lichfield. The Parish Council had decided

that this was a golden opportunity to have a celebration community event on the Streethay play area with the aim of raising money for charity. The two

charities chosen being the Air Ambulance and the 1st Responders, whose volunteers aim is to reach medical emergencies in the minimum amount of time to help ensure the maximum possible survival rate. The local Scouts also provided food so they also benefited. In a summer with such unpredictable weather the day was blessed with sunshine.

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Cake baked by the Sorptomist Centre

Consultation on Core Strategy

It's come at last after many years in the making. This document affects everyone who lives and works in

Lichfield and is especially important to residents in Fradley and Streethay as

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Common Lane, **Fradley**

Core Strategy

(continued) there are plans for around 1000 homes in Fradley and 750 in Streethay. It is a great

concern that such a large part of the proposed growth in the Lichfield District would take place to the east of the City and within this Parish Council boundaries. There are other

proposals also along the A38 corridor. The Parish Council has made a full and robust response as it has done throughout the previous iterations of the plan.

Fradley Broadband

At the July meeting local Fradley resident Mr Steve Dent explained the work being done to campaign for an improved broadband service to Fradley. The Parish Council agreed to Steve's request to send a letter to Staffordshire County Council to seek access to funds for improving the broadband service. The Council has also raised this with District Council planners as an important requirement for a sustainable infrastructure for local and home business users. The Council gave unanimous support for a better service to be delivered.

The County Council have confirmed they are awaiting government approval for state aid so they can invest funds (£7.4m over the County which they say will be matched by Broadband Delivery UK) they have been assured this approval is expected soon and if forthcoming will anticipate works to broadband commencing in Spring 2013.

If you wish to add your voice to the broadband campaign then please email sfbroadband@staffordshire.gov.uk or write to James Hinton, Business Support, Staffordshire Place 1, c/o Wedgwood Building, Tipping Street, Stafford, ST16 2DH

Please let us know your views.

Some Months ago the Parish Council cleared the area in front of the MUGA and the new community hall. With little remaining useful plants remaining it is an opportunity for residents of Fradley

to have their say about what could replace it. This could be, for example, a fence, a line of trees such as crab apple or plum. These would provide colour in the spring and fruit for wildlife on the Autumn,

A mixed deciduous hedge using native species, or a mixture of both. It could also be left as clear space with regular mowing. Some trees planted in celebration of the Queen's jubilee could be a good idea. Please email, write or phone the clerk (or any Parish Councillor) with your ideas please!



The Community Hall Fradley

Owen Pontin writes; "The YCC is nearing completion to a point where it can be used. The majority of the Scout and Guide groups will be starting the new school year in the centre for their weekly meetings and there is interest from other users for regular events.

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Inside the centre the majority of the decoration is finished, floors laid and kitchen fitted. But there is still much to do to complete the whole project. The next priorities are to lay the main hall floor and install

locally so that everyone can come and have a look round this fantastic new facility in our village.

There is a need for volunteers to step forward to either bolster the committee or to help with the many tasks still to complete at the centre. For the committee, we need people with skills in website creation and running, fund raising, accounting, legal matters, publicity and other general duties. On the centre, there are still many tasks both skilled and unskilled to complete inside and out. The time commitment for committee and tasks at the centre is only as much or as little as people can give. Many hands make light work. If you can help contact Owen Pontin on 07986 232730

Are you a local organisation, charity or group wanting to publicise an event? The Link is published quarterly. There are some advertising available for commercial organisations. Contact us via our clerk or any Parish Councillor

Olympic Torch celebrations continued...



The Balloon Release



Air Ambulance Stand



A day of sunshine



First Responders



Student Film makers

One of the highlights of the day was a balloon release. There are a large number of 'thank you's' to be made including the Midland Co-op who's help and sponsorship was crucial to events success. The soroptimists who ran a very successful tombola and 'find the sheep' to help with fundraising, they baked the cake pictured on page 1. Lichfield District Council who provided help, advice and the bouncy castle and caterpillar on the day. Shops who put up posters in Fradley and everyone who donated prizes including the Streethay boat yard. The net proceeds of the day for distribution were £515.92, with no charges being raised by the Parish Council.

Dog Walking

We have received complaints from residents in Fradley regarding dogs being let loose whilst being walked. We would ask all resident dog owners to ensure the safety of their pets, other residents and road traffic.

A CLEANER AND GREENER FRADLEY AND STREETHAY THANKS TO TEAM EFFORT

Recently an article in a local magazine suggested that we are paying too much for local grass cutting, hedge trimming and general gardening services, provided by Lichfield District Council.

Fradley & Streethay Parish Council would like to refute any suggestion that it is not happy with the service.

We work with Lichfield District Council to make sure we get good value for money and a high quality service for local people. We also know the district council team often goes out of its way to do even more to make our villages cleaner and greener.

We are also working hard with LDC to look after and improve local play areas. The Council's Handyman inspects the condition of the play area facilities on a weekly basis in addition Lichfield District Council arranges an independent Safety inspection each year by a qualified inspector.

Lichfield District Council look after any routine maintenance, urgent safety repairs or damage caused by vandalism at the Play Areas.

Please contact your local Councillor or the Clerk if you wish to raise any matters.

Responsibilities of each Council are as follows:

Parish Council:

Developing and maintenance of recreation facilities, open spaces, seats, bus shelters, commenting on local planning applications, providing Christmas lighting, grass cutting and hedge maintenance of Parish Council land, litter and dog bins.

District Council:

Sports centres, leisure and recreation, arts and tourism, housing advice, housing and council tax benefits, local plans, planning and building control, environmental health, waste and recycling collections, street cleaning, licensing and inspection of food, taxis etc., off street parking and city car parks, collection of council tax and business rates.

County Council:

Educational issues and youth service, adult and social care, public health, highways and transport, planning, community safety, trading standards, libraries, museums and art galleries, waste disposal, registration of births, marriages and deaths, economic development and tourism.

You will see contact details for all your Councillors on the back page.

Fradley and Streethay Parish Council Useful Contact Information

2012 Parish Council Meeting Dates (for the minutes of past meetings see our website)

All meetings are normally at the Fradley Village Hall. 7.00 p.m. for viewing of planning applications with the meeting starting at 7.30 p.m. prompt	January 17th	February 21st	March 20th	April 17th
	April 24th [§]	May 15th*	June 19th	July 17th
	August 21st [†]	September 18th	October 16th	November 20th
December 18th	Parish Assembly [§]	*Annual Meeting followed by the Parish council meeting		†The August meeting is subject to change

Your Parish Councillors and Staff

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There is a Councillor vacancy in the Streethay ward. If you are interested please contact the Parish Council or any Councillor.



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