

New Frankley Neighbourhood News

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CCTV Holly Hill Shops

For your safety and well being the New Frankley Parish Council has invested in a CCTV system at Holly Hill Shops.

This System is linked directly to Birmingham City Councils hub in the City Centre.

It is monitored and incidents recorded 7days of the week 24 hours of the day. Operators can notify the Police or any other body 24 hours of the day.

Acts of Remembrance 11th & 14th November

We plan to hold our Remembrance service at the Frankley Remembrance Stone starting at 10.30 on Thursday 11 November

On Remembrance Sunday 14th November we will hold a get together at the Frankley Stone at 10.30am .

Where we would like to extend the act of remembrance to anyone who has lost a relative or friend during the co-vid lock down who has not had the opportunity to remember them.

This will be a chance to pay our respects to them.

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At an extraordinary meeting of the
New Frankley in Birmingham Parish Council
it was resolved that

Councillor Eric Carter B E M

Be awarded the title of
HONORARY FREEMAN OF THE PARISH

In recognition of his contribution to the
Parish Council and Community

Eric Joins an exclusive group who have received this award.

Garth Griffiths and William Hollis being the others

NEWS FOR FRANKLEY

Have you got some news? Perhaps you would like to advertise an event,
or give details about a group you run.

You don't have to be in a group to have something to say!

You might have some news, information or advice, or an opinion that you would like to
see in the next edition.

The closing date for the next edition Wednesday 24th November

Our community liaison contact is Alarra

contact Alarra: frankleyevents@gmail.com

Or: newfrankleyparishcouncil@gmail.com or phone 0121 457 9410

More Events and Activities in Frankley

Frankley Library; 0121 464 7676

Monday: Tots Time (0-5years) 9.30am-10am— Reading Group 1st Friday of the Month

October Half Term: various children's activities. Call for details

Friends of Balaam Woods

Monday: Woodland Workout 10.30-12.30 **Thursday:** Nordic Walkers* 11am-12pm

Friday: Free Tai Chi 2pm-3pm

KEEP THE HOME FIRES BURNING

And when the wind whistles through the graves
She cries out the names of those who lie beneath
 To early to the grave
 Each one a hero,
 Each one brave
 Crosses of white, white as a bone
 Stretching as far as the eye can see
 Each one died so we could be free
 Fighting for the whole of humanity
 Each a member of a family
Who just wanted to be back to see how it used to be
 When Europe was free
 We can never imagine what they saw
 But they all knew what they were fighting for
 Their family back home in England
Who stand proudly at memorials all over the land
 To pay our respects to all our brave brothers,
 the daughters, the sons and the mothers
 Who kept the home fires burning
 Even after learning that their loved ones had died
 They paid the ultimate cost fathers, uncles and brothers lost
 We remember them all mothers who kept the country going
While all the time inside knowing their babies were not coming back
 And when the war was over, they celebrated.
While at the train stations families waited for their loved ones
 Who went to war as boys and came home men
 All who played heroes with pride
 Their parts will be forever in our hearts
As we remember those who fought and died and all the families far and
 wide

We remember the heroes with pride

POET MONKEY ra 2021



The Vandals have been at it again. Not only have they set fire to the bin and completely destroyed it but they have also wrecked both the benches situated in the Orchard. These benches were donated to the community by Eric Carter, Parish Councillor and Frank & Nora Balaam from the US. This isn't the first time they have been vandalised and the rate the vandals are going there will be nothing left of them to repair so if any one saw anything or knows who did it perhaps you could pass the information on to the Parish Office please. I know there's not a lot we can do but at least we can then approach the people concerned.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Spooktacular Halloween

Including Pumpkin Hunt, Pumpkin Carving, crafts and prizes for best fancy dress

Saturday 30th October 11am-2pm Booking advised call Penny 07902903558

In the Orchard and the Hub 4 Arden Road

Christmas Craft Fayre

20th November 2021 at the Hub,4 Arden Road 11.30am till 3.30pm —Tables £5

contact Linda on craftygirl_9@hotmail.com or Marion at the Hub 4 Arden Road

Christmas Lights switch on

December 3rd 3.30pm and 7.30pm

Watch out for posters for all these events.

Volunteers welcome for all these events

Birmingham's Ice Age Heritage in Frankley

<https://www.earthheritagetrust.org/birminghams-erratic-boulders-heritage-of-the-ice-age>

Did you know that there are a number of ice age boulders right here in your community of Frankley?

These mainly volcanic rocks, known as "erratic's", were formed around 450 million years ago but about 450 thousand years ago were moved by ice glaciers from Wales to the Birmingham area.

Four local organisations have been awarded £112,800 from the National Lottery Heritage Fund for a project called "Birmingham's Erratic Boulders: Heritage of the Ice Age".

The project will run from July 2021 to January 2023 and the award is to a partnership of the Herefordshire and Worcestershire Earth Heritage Trust, the Black Country Geological Society, Birmingham Open Spaces Forum and the Lapworth Museum of Geology.

Several geological cycle and walking trails around the Bromsgrove and South Birmingham area will be established, but a special local group will be set up here in new Frankley to design a geological timeline through the centre of the district.

The project manager, Val Turner and volunteer coordinator, Daniel Cashmore, met with Bruce Pitt from the Parish Council and other volunteers, including the Friends of Balaam Wood, to visit the boulder sites in September. It is hoped that this will be a community led project with local residents helping to clear the sites, find new boulders and to look after them once the project is finished. It is an opportunity for the community to learn more about geology and the importance of the Frankley erratic boulders. The project team will be returning to Frankley on Monday 1st November at 11am to see the progress that's been made in clearing the sites. If anyone would like to join us on a mini field visit, they would be very welcome or if you would like to volunteer locally, please contact Bruce. We will meet at the Frankley Parish Council offices.



Bruce Pitt 07779497263 — bruceinfrankley@hotmail.co.uk

THE STREET CHAMPIONS TRUCK RETURNS

As with most vehicles we have had a few glitches meaning the truck service has experienced several delays. Our apologies for any inconvenience caused. Please keep in mind this is a service run by volunteers and we aim to recycle where possible. We would like to encourage all residents who use this service to consider if the items can be upcycled, sold, gifted or recycled and help support our mission to reduce waste and help the fight against climate change.

Here are some ways that you can help when considering if your items can be recycled.

SELL IT, GIVE IT, SWAP IT.

Many organisations and charities welcome donations and as they say one man's trash is another's treasure.

NEWSTARTS in FRANKLEY - 0121 679 2072

NewStarts empowers local individuals and families to overcome their challenges and achieve more in their lives. Providing free assistance to over 1000 households every year in North Worcestershire.

You can support by donating furniture, household items, bric-a-bac, books, CDs and computers. Please ensure items are reusable, in good condition and furnishings still have the fire safety label.

British Heart Foundation, Northfield- 0121 4778380

The Northfield BHF furniture store unfortunately is now closed but the Smethwick branch is still collecting furniture donations from the area. Soft furnishings need to ensure they have the fire safety. The Northfield branch collect anything that isn't furniture or electrical.

They arrange collection and will sell the items in their shop for the BHF, this funds life saving research.

Freecycle- Freecycle.org

The Freecycle Network is a private, non-profit organisation that coordinates a worldwide network of "gifting" groups to divert reusable goods from landfills. Sign up is free and the moderators are all volunteers.

Shpock/ Vinted/ Ebay

A marketplace and classified platforms that brings millions of private buyers and sellers across the United Kingdom together. Sell your items, gift them and also find bargains. Items can be listed for collection only or a small charge for delivery.

Welcoming the Scrapstore Birmingham to The Hollymoor Centre

They have moved to The Hollymoor Centre, Northfield B31 5ER.

The Scrapstore Birmingham collects & sorts materials, or 'scrap', donated by individuals & businesses for redistribution to individuals & organisations supporting play & creativity.

BPCN will help businesses to reduce waste, save money, help the environment and make links with their local community. The waste, as scrap, will be re-used across Birmingham with over 1,000 childcare establishments, plus increasing numbers of parents and guardians who are joining BPCN to access the Scrapstore.

Local businesses who contribute may be able to use their donations as a direct contribution to their corporate and social responsibility commitment.

They can collect waste free of charge from the Birmingham area. All they ask is for the scrap to be clean, safe and ready to collect.

Unused/discarded stock Off cuts, by-products packaging, containers foam, wood, plastics
cardboard, card, paper, fabric, felt, wool Reels, tubes, foils Boards, paint, stationery
PLUS MORE

If you have any materials that you feel may be suitable and wish to donate please make contact and they will assess your materials and arrange a collection/delivery date and time.

To donate or for further information please Email Pip at Birmingham PlayCare Network
pip@bpcn.org.uk

New Frankley in Birmingham Parish Council

New Frankley in Birmingham became the first Parish Council in the City of Birmingham. Following a boundary change in 1995 when all of New Frankley became unified under one authority. Residents raised a petition to establish a Parish Council.

A government order to come into force in May 2000.

Twenty residents stood as candidates for twelve seats in the first election.

A number of those elected to the new council still serve today.

The Parish Council strives to bridge the gap in services that other are unable to maintain

The office at Holly Hill Shops helps resident Monday to Friday (9am to 1pm).

Providing up to date information on services

It funds the Frankley Street Champions who operate the truck that attempt to clear all the fly tipping and to collect large bulky items around the community

It also funds many other community projects within Frankley.

Volunteers Need for All Community Events

Your help is needed on Wednesday by the Frankley Street Champions with litter picking 10.30 till 12. Meet at Bruce's Garage next to 55 Devon Road.

Everyone welcome tools provided

Events and Activities in Frankley

Frankley Plus Children's Centre

0121 453 3515

Monday

Baby Massage * 9.30 am –11am

Promoting Happier Parenting *
1pm-2.30pm

Tuesday

Buggy Walk 10am –11 am

Solihull Approach Ante Natal*
10.30-12.pm

Virtual Breastfeeding lounge 1.30-2.30pm

Wednesday

Job Club– Drop In 10.30-11.30am

Communication Stations* 1pm-2.30 pm

Henry Course* 1pm-2.30pm

(tips on Healthy eating and exercise)

Thursday

Sensory Baby Play 1pm 2pm

(Suitable for 0-2years)

Virtual Breastfeeding Lounge 11am –12pm

Friday

Stay and Play and Baby Massage available
at nearby locations

Other information

Further classes available at Weoley Castle
and Northfield

Contact 0121 453 3515 for details

Items marked with * need to be booked

No 4 The Hub

0121 679 2072

Monday : Job Club 11.am– 12pm

Tuesday: St Leonards Service 7pm-8pm

Wednesday: LGBTQ +(11-16) 4-7pm

Dept and Money Advice 10 –12pm

Create & Chat (Crafts) Group 7pm.9pm

Thursday Chill n Chat 9-11am

Destiny Blessings 9-11am

Friday: Girl Guides 6.15- 8pm

Post Tai Chi-refreshments 3-4pm

Sunday: Grace Church 10.30-12.30pm

Reaside Centre 07944537515

Monday: Over 60s 10 -.2pm

Tuesday: Knit and Natter 11.-1pm

Yoga 7-8pm

Wednesday: Stoke Club 10-12 pm

Yoga 6.15 –7.15pm

Martial Arts Wednesday & Thursday

6.30pm –7.30 & 7.30pm- 8.30p

Thursday: Over 50's Tai Chi 2.0-3-0pm

Kids Dance Class 6.15-7.10pm

Friday Yoga 6pm -7pm

Sunday Football Academy 9am-11am

Judo 5pm-6pm +6pm-7pm

Yoga 9am –11am