

Brigg Town Council

Quarterly Newsletter

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On Monday 23rd May 2005, at the Annual Meeting,

Councillor Mrs. Penny Smith was unanimously elected Town Mayor of Brigg.

Councillor Mrs. Smith will be supported in this role by her husband, Mr. Mike Hills, who will be the Town Mayor's Consort.

Councillor Mrs Maureen Glossop was elected Deputy Mayor / Town Mayor Elect.

The outgoing Town Mayor, Councillor John Kitwood thanked everyone for their support throughout his Mayoral Year.

He paid tribute to his wife Kathryn, who had supported him throughout the year as Lady Mayoress, and was pleased to announce that the Town Mayor's Appeal had raised a total sum of £3,177.75 which was shared equally between the JayGee Dog Sanctuary and Brigg L.I.V.E.S.

Councillor Kitwood also presented Reverend Michael Silley and his wife Mavis with a farewell gift from members past and present of a painting of a 'Winter Scene in Brigg Market Place'. Revd Silley having continued to serve as the Town Mayor's Chaplain until the end of the Mayoral Year. Councillor Kitwood thanked them both for their service and friendship to the Town, and the Town Council, during their years in Brigg, and concluded with good wishes for the future.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

As the Town Council's new year commences, it is required to publish a report as a synopsis of the work undertaken in the past year.

Throughout the year, the Committees of the Council have dealt with a wide range of what could be labelled 'mundane issues', including fly tipping, use of ped-scooters, improvements for passengers who use the limited rail service, dog fouling, overhanging trees, street lighting, litter in the Town, rubbish in the river, road safety matters, street signs, graffiti, flyposting. But it is a fact that keeping abreast of the mundane issues will ensure that the Town continues to remain a pleasant environment to live in and enjoy.



Photo by courtesy of Peter Thompson

REGRETTABLY, as we near midsummer, the organisation of the Classic Vehicle Nights, Brigg Fair, the Horse Fair and the Christmas Fair, are now all in jeopardy.

A Public Meeting will be held on Monday, JUNE 20th, at 7PM IN THE ANGEL SUITE, in order to drum up support and willing volunteers, who will hopefully come forward to ensure that these events are not permanently lost from the Town's Annual calendar.

In addition, more serious issues have been considered, and continue to be discussed, including :-

The Local Development Framework

The current system whereby North Lincolnshire Council draws up a 10 year Local Plan is in the process of being changed.

The 10 year plan will be replaced by an evolving plan which will respond to changing needs.

The first stage of consultation on the Local Development Framework - "Planning.....Your Say Your Future" - is now underway.

This is your opportunity to have your say on what you expect in your community. **DON'T WASTE IT.**

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Ownership and maintenance of the ditches along Redcombe Lane

Until ownership is proven, work cannot commence to sort out the state of the ditches.

But the real issue is about public responsibility. It is not necessary for anyone to dump rubbish in ditches, or anywhere else, as this area is very well served by Local Household Waste Disposal Sites.

PLEASE DO NOT DO IT

Brigg North Development - Revised Development Draft.

The Town Council's main cause for concern regarding the proposed development continues to be that of the increased traffic which will undoubtedly be generated, all of which is expected to converge on the roundabout at the junction of Atherton Way/Barnard Avenue. It remains the opinion of the Town Council that a further exit road should be created out of the Springbank Estate onto Wrawby Road, which would significantly reduce the amount of traffic travelling via Barnard Avenue. A link could then be provided from the new development to the same route.

Safe Routes to School

Throughout the past year, a great deal of consultation has taken place, and physical works have been undertaken, in order to progress the Safe Routes to School programme, which also includes extensive traffic calming measures, most of which have been welcomed.

Regrettably, the latest phase of works on Glebe Road has not proved as popular! The Town Council was quick to respond to pleas from the residents of Glebe Road, and meetings have already been held in order to try and resolve the current conflict without losing those traffic calming measures which are welcomed.

Management of the Angel Suite and the Town Council Allotment sites are a major part of the work undertaken by the Property and Services Committee.

The Angel Suite continues to be a popular venue for all manner of events and family celebrations and, as pledged by the Town Council when it first opened, **the Angel Suite continues to be self-financing and has never needed any financial support from you, the ratepayers of Brigg.**

Both allotment sites are well cultivated, but if anyone has aspirations to grow their own fruit and vegetables, there are a few vacant plots at the larger site on Grammar School Road. Please contact the Clerk to the Council if you are interested.

Brigg in Bloom was very well supported in 2004 – and the number of hanging baskets ordered by the business community doubled in number from 2003.

The joint efforts of both the Town Council (by funding much of the planting in the Town Centre) and the Neighbourhood Services Team, (which organises the highway planting), combined to ensure that the Town was looking particularly attractive throughout the summer months.

The work of the Neighbourhood Services Team at North Lincolnshire Council is commended by the Town Council, as they continue to respond to the many calls and E. Mails from the clerk, as well as members of the public, in an effort to try and ensure that the Town is always at its best.

The Town Council continues to organise the Annual Best Kept Garden and Best Business in Bloom Competitions, alongside the Prize Allotment Award and also the Civic Award.

A new award was added to this list in 2004, when a prize was given for the Most Attractive Christmas Decorations outside a Property.

This was won by Mr. and Mrs. Dyer, who will use their Prize Money to further improve their decorations in 2005.

Regrettably, in 2005, the Town will not be entered in the Yorkshire in Bloom Competition, as one of the requirements is that there should be a separate Brigg in Bloom Committee.

However, if any members of the Community would like to take on the role of forming a Brigg in Bloom Committee, the Town Council would be only too pleased to support them.

Wharf wall on the western bank of the River Ancholme

The Town Council made representation to the Environment Agency regarding the state of the wall which resulted in a meeting between the Town Council, the Environment Agency, and North Lincolnshire Council, to look at ways in which funding can be secured in order to ensure that any repairs undertaken are aesthetically pleasing, and 'in keeping' with the Conservation Area.

The Town Council does have a small grants budget available to assist organisations in the Town, from which the following organisations have benefited :-

Brigg and District Netball Club have been awarded £250 toward the cost of their forthcoming tour to Barbados.

Brigg Colts Hockey Club was awarded £250 toward the cost of their Easter Tour to Holland but, for the second year running, this group of young people covered the cost of their tour by fundraising, and have therefore declined to draw upon the grant awarded. **An example to be followed..**

Brigg Ranger Guides drew £218.75 from the grant they were awarded toward the cost of additional camping equipment.

Brigg and District Civic Society was awarded the sum of £3,000 to assist with the cost of upgrading the street name signs in and around the Town Centre

Brigg and District Newsletter receive an annual contribution in return for incorporating the Town Council's own newsletter. The quarterly newsletter is proving to be an excellent publication, combining both local news with essential information for residents. There really is no excuse for anyone to say they don't know what is happening in Brigg – **its all there, in the newsletter.**

2004 was a very special year in the History of the Town of Brigg, and it celebrated the 800th Anniversary of its Royal Market Charter in style, with many enjoyable events being held through the year.

Regrettably, it is still not known whether Brigg Fair will be celebrated in 2005, as the persistent problem of land for the Horse Fair continues to be a thorny issue, but there are still a number of other major events held in the Town which can only happen as a result of the commitment and time given by those volunteers who organise them.

The Town Council therefore places on **Public Record** recognition and thanks to the volunteers who give up their time to serve the community, by organising events, or giving time to manage clubs and societies for the benefit of others - not only during a special anniversary year, but each and every year.

BRIGG TOWN COUNCIL - REPORT OF ACCOUNTS- FISCAL YEAR 2004/2005

A brief Statement of Accounts for the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 is given below. However, it should be noted that, although the accounts were received and approved by the Town Council at the Annual Meeting on Monday 23rd May 2005, they have not yet been audited.

The usual notice will be posted when the accounts are available for Public Inspection as part of the Annual Audit.

Balance Forward 01.04.04		
General Account		36,173.59
Allotments		161.94
Angel Suite		21,902.93
		58,238.46
Income:		
General - after cash book transfer to Allotments		49,992.31
Allotments - including cash book transfer from Gen. A/C		1,051.41
Angel Suite		21,669.25
Income To Date		72,712.97
Expenditure:		
General		50,229.00
Allotments		608.17
Angel Suite (excl V.A.T. recoverable)		24,323.96
V.A.T. Recoverable - General	2,871.30)	
Angel Suite	1,527.89)	4,399.19
Expenditure to Date		79,560.32
BALANCE		<u>51,391.11</u>
Represented by		
Current Account		565.24
*Business Reserve (Allotments)		605.18
Business Reserve (General)		5,233.80
Capital Reserve		27,431.12
Government Stock		528.57
Imprest		30.00
Angel Suite Current Account		253.94
Angel Suite Nottingham Account		16,643.50
Angel Suite – Capital Reserve		822.89
Sub Total		52,114.25
Less		
Cheques not yet presented at the bank		
General Account		723.14
TOTAL		<u>51,391.11</u>

BRIGG TOWN COUNCIL – FORTHCOMING MEETINGS**Full Council**

Monday 27th June, 2005	at 7pm	Monday 26 th September, 2005	at 7pm
Monday 25th July, 2005	at 7pm		

Property & Services Committee

Wednesday 1 st June, 2005	at 7pm
Wednesday 6th July, 2005	at 7pm
Wednesday 7 th September, 2005	at 7pm

Policy Committee

Wednesday 8 th June, 2005	at 7.45pm
Wednesday 13 th July, 2005	at 7.45pm
Wednesday 14 th September, 2005	at 7.45pm

Planning & Environment Committee

Wednesday 8th June, 2005	at 7pm
Monday 27th June, 2005	at 6.15pm
Wednesday 13th July, 2005	at 7pm
Monday 25 th July, 2005	at 6.15pm
Wednesday 7 th September, 2005	at 7pm
Monday 26 th September, 2005	at 6.15pm

DIARY DATES AT THE ANGEL SUITE

(In addition to the regular weekly and monthly functions and activities.)

Stonecroft Cheshire Home	Craft Fair in the Angel Suite	Sat. 25 th June 10am - 4pm
Wold Singers	Concert at the Angel Suite	Wed. 13 th July
Brigg Live Arts	Art Exhibition at the Angel Suite	26 th Aug. – 4 th Sept.

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BRIGG TOWN COUNCIL USEFUL INFORMATION AND CONTACT NUMBERS

**Town Mayor and Consort of Brigg 2005 / 2006 - Councillor Mrs. P. J. Smith and Mr Mike Hills
Deputy Mayor / Town Mayor Elect - Councillor Mrs. Maureen Glossop**

**The Brigg Town Council Office is located in the basement of The Angel Suite.
It is open on Monday and Thursday mornings 9.30am – 12 noon.**

**Clerk to the Council: Mrs. Jeanette Woollard – Tel 659402 / 655117
E.Mail: enquiries@briggmarkettown.co.uk**

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**The Agenda's and Minutes for both Council Meetings and the Annual Town Meeting,
are posted on the Town Council Notice Board, and also on the Town Council Web Site –
www.briggmarkettown.co.uk.**

Paper copies can be obtained from the Town Council Office.

**The Town Council Notice Board can be found adjacent to the entrance to the Angel Suite, leading directly from the
Angel Car Park.**

Town Council Meetings are held in the ballroom of the Angel Suite and are open to the public as observers.

**Questions can be put to the Town Council prior to the monthly Full Council Meeting,
but questions should be notified to the Clerk by 12 noon on the Thursday prior to the meeting.**

THE ANGEL SUITE - HALL AND ROOMS FOR HIRE

**THE IDEAL VENUE FOR WEDDINGS, FAMILY CELEBRATIONS,
FUNDRAISING EVENTS AND MEETINGS**

Booking Enquiries (during office hours only) : Mrs. J.M. Woollard - Tel: 659402 / 655117
ANGEL SUITE MANAGER : Mr. Bryan Swaby - Tel: 07903531201

Did you know that there are regular weekly (and monthly) group meetings and activities in the Angel Suite?

These include : Indoor Bowls, Yoga, Tai Chi, Line Dancing, Rosemary Conley Diet and Fitness,
Breast Cancer Support Group, Flower Society, Civic Society, Church Groups.

DETAILS CAN BE FOUND ON THE ANGEL SUITE NOTICE BOARD,
which is located on the wall along Exchange Place, adjacent to the entrance to the building.