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Unpaid Workers Community Payback Scheme

The Parish Council has arranged with the Northamptonshire Probation Service for a supervised group of Unpaid Workers to visit Brafield on four Saturdays : 24 September and 8 22 29 October. They will be carrying out work in the public areas around the bus shelter on the Billing Road, along the Bridle Path through the village, and around the Sargeant Memorial Hall. They will be trimming shrubs and overhanging branches, cutting back verges and strimming undergrowth etc. They should be here (weather permitting) from approximately 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. each day and be using the Village Hall as a base for refreshments etc. All waste will be cleared into 'Hippo' bags and removed shortly afterwards.

If you have any concerns please contact Helen Barnell 890373 or Gill Ager 891488. On previous occasions residents have made the Unpaid Workers very welcome and were pleased with their contribution to the village.

If there is further suitable work available we may be able to arrange more visits in the future. Please let Helen know if you have any suggestions for appropriate work in any of the public areas around our village.
Helen Barnell 890373 email: barnell@globalnet.co.uk

Highways Issues

Billing Road/Horton Road Junction: Several people have commented on how dangerous this junction is at the moment as the road markings have faded. NCC has said that the white lines are being repainted at the end of September or beginning of October. We did ask, yet again, about the possibility of a roundabout and we have been informed that there are no plans to install one in the foreseeable future. Our contact at NCC has been in touch with the Road Safety Team who have said that this particular junction is not giving them any cause for concern at present.

Green Rd/Mere Close/Park Close/Furze Rd Area: The Parish Council has for many years asked that NCC gives consideration to resurfacing both the roadway and the footpath in this area to no avail. Following a complaint from a resident we have again contacted both the Council and Councillor Michael Clarke to ask for attention to be given to this area. If you, too, have experienced slips and trips due to uneven footpaths on these roads then please report the matter to STREET DOCTOR as a matter of urgency on 0845 601 113.

Police Matters

A property in Church Lane, Brafield was broken into in the early hours of Wednesday 21 September. The residents were awoken by their alarm and the intruder was seen making off down the driveway. Please be vigilant in ensuring your property is as secure as possible using locks and deadbolts, and that alarms are set where appropriate.

During the evening of Friday 16 September, barns at a farm near to Yardley Hastings were broken into. An attempt was also made to break into a business in Yardley Hastings at around the same time.

Diesel was siphoned from two tractors at a property in Station Road, Little Houghton overnight on Thursday 15 September.

Anyone with information please call the Police on 03000 111 222 or alternatively, information can be given anonymously to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Parish Councillor Vacancy

Brafield Parish Council **STILL** has a vacancy for a Parish Councillor. If you are interested in making a valuable contribution to your community, and would like to find out more about what is involved please contact the Chair, Gill Morgan for further information:
Tel: 891934 email: gillmorgan121@aol.com

Items for Website please.

If you have any information about local events or activities that you would like publicised on the Village Website please send details to
content@brafieldonthegreen.org.uk

B.T. Scam : Beware!

So what happens?

You receive a call claiming to be from B.T. informing you that they are disconnecting your 'phone because of an unpaid bill. They demand payment immediately threatening that it would cost £118 to re-connect you at a later date.

When you question them, they demonstrate that they are from B.T. by asking you to hang up and then try to make a call. You find your 'phone is dead – until that person rings you back.

You may say you're with a different company, Virgin Media for example, only to be told that V.M. has to pay B.T. a percentage for line rental.

Having apparently proved they are genuine, they then demand immediate payment by credit card. (They just want your credit card details and security number to use themselves).

The disconnection of the line is simple - they stay on the line with the mute button on and you can't dial out – but they can hear you trying. When you stop trying they cut off and call back.

Don't allow yourself to become a victim of fraud.

Please beware and warn others.

Replacement Bus Service Billing Road Brafield

The County Council can no longer justify subsidising the Y4 Yorks coach service between Northampton and Wollaston because of the low user take up. This has now been replaced by a minibus service (ROY 43) operated by 'Roy's Minibuses' of Finedon. This is more economical though still subsidised by NCC. Both the route and the times have changed as shown below. They operate low floor minibuses for ease of access. There is no service on Sundays or Public Holidays.

BOZEAT - Cogenhoe - NORTHAMPTON

Mondays to Saturdays

	Operator: ROY ROY ROY ROY ROY ROY					
	Service: 43 43 43 43 43 43					
Bozeat, London Road/St Mary's Road	0730	-	1030	1230	1430	1640
Wollaston, South Street opp Holyoake	0734	-	1034	1234	1434	1644
Grendon, Main Road opp School	0741	-	1041	1241	1441	1651
Castle Ashby, Falcon Hotel		-	1045	1245	1445	1655
Whiston,		-	1049	1249	1449	1659
Cogenhoe, Station Road, Royal Oak	0750	0930	1053	1253	1453	1703
Brafield, Billing Road/Grove Road	0757	0937	1100	1300	1500	1710
Little Houghton, Bedford Road, Red Lion	0801	0941	1104	1304	1504	1714
Great Houghton, Leys Lane/The Green	0805	0945	1108	1308	1508	1718
Northampton, The Lakes, John Dryden House						1725NS
Northampton, Cliftonville Road, General Hospital	0812	0952	1115	1315	1515	
Northampton, Greyfriars Bus Station	0820	0957	1120	1320	1520	1735

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Northampton, Greyfriars Bus Station [5]	1140	1340	1550	1750
Northampton, Cliftonville Rd opp General Hospital	1145	1345	1555	1755
Great Houghton, Leys Lane/The Green	1152	1352	1602	1802
Little Houghton, Bedford Road, Church	1156	1356	1606	1806
Brafield, Billing Road opp Grove Road	1200	1400	1610	1810
Cogenhoe, Station Road, opp Royal Oak	1207	1407	1617	1817
Whiston,	1211	1411	1621	
Castle Ashby, Falcon Hotel	1215	1415	1625	
Grendon, Main Road, School	1219	1419	1629	1825
Bozeat, London Road/St Mary's Road Arrive	1224	1424	1634	1830
Bozeat, London Road/St Mary's Road Depart	1230	1430	1640	1830
Wollaston, South Street opp Holyoake	1234	1434	1644	1834

NS – serves The Lakes on Mondays to Fridays Only

The Queen's Diamond Jubilee 2012

Saturday 2nd June to Tuesday 5th June 2012

Have you got any ideas for how we can celebrate the Jubilee in Brafield on the Green?

A few people are going to get together to share some thoughts – please come and join us if you would be interested at: -

The Working Men's Club on Tuesday 27th Sept at 8pm
The Red Lion on Thursday 29 September at 10.30am

Do you have Payroll Experience? Can you help?

With a change in regulations the Parish Council now has a duty of care to register as an employer with Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs, and is urgently looking for someone with payroll experience who would be prepared to run a small payroll for the P.C. on a voluntary basis. This is principally to cover our Clerk as a paid employee. We anticipate that this will be only a few hours work each year and would help us maximise our precept to the benefit of the Parish.

If you feel able to help or would like to discuss this further please contact Gill Morgan
Tel: 891934 email: gillmorgan121@aol.com

Next Parish Council Meeting:
Monday 21st November at 7.30 p.m. in the Sargeant Memorial Hall Brafield

Members of the public are most welcome to attend any meeting
At the start of the Parish Council meeting, time is set aside for public enquiries