

FRATTON BIG LOCAL Delivers 2023

What is Fratton Big Local?

Fratton Big Local is a Big Lottery funded 10-year project. It was launched in 2013 and aims to make lasting improvements to Fratton. It is run by a Partnership of local residents, who make decisions about how to spend the funding. This booklet tells you about the eighth year of Fratton Big Local's work in Fratton, and how plans have developed since you were last consulted.

What is in the Fratton Big Local Plan?

Our Local plan is set in the context of National Big Local Outcomes: Communities will be better able to identify local needs and take action in response to them. People will have increased skills and confidence, so that they continue to identify and respond to needs in the future. The community make a difference to the needs it prioritizes. People will feel that their area is an even better place to live in.

Message from Fr. Bob, Chair of Fratton Big Local

It seems a long time ago that there was a small group in the Hall at St Mary's at which we were told that as a community we had been awarded £1million pounds of National Lottery Funds as part of Big Local. We were to be one of the first 'trial' areas and no-one quite knew what lay ahead!

Over the last 10 years we have had many moments of fun and celebration as well as some days and times of struggle and frustration. The last year which this 'Fratton Delivers' looks at has both of those experiences – the fun and celebration of some of our events – the Jubilee picnic; the return of the May Fayre; the visit of the Moon and the 20,000 that came to visit it ... I wonder what would be your favourite moment of 2022? But there have also been the struggles as we continue to move out of COVID and the impact on our lives and the financial situation we face. Our hopes to open a Pantry in the community have been delayed as we still wait for a potential space to host to become available.

But over the 10 years there has been a constant which is the energy and enthusiasm of many local people to work with us to make Fratton a better place to live, work and play. There is a strong sense of community and this is reflected in groups and agencies that work here, as well as by local residents. Perhaps one of the most important moments of the year is when we stop and recognise the countless volunteers who give of their time and skills to support the common life of Fratton.

We are now entering the final years of Fratton Big Local's funding and the partners are working with others to ensure that there is a legacy which will enable many of our events and celebrations to continue into the future and become a regular part of our shared life. We will seek to keep you informed of what is being considered and planned as well as continue to work with others to host events such as the May Fayre, Community Picnics, Family Festival and Lantern parade.

Lastly, Fratton Big Local can only deliver what it does because of the dedication, commitment and enthusiasm of our small staff team – so thank you to Anna and Monique (and to Kay who supports them) for all you have done over the past years.

As Chair I look forward to the year that lies ahead and to discover where the FBL journey will take us next!





How many other Big Locals are there?

There are 150 other Big Locals across England – the nearest to Fratton is on Wecock Farm in Waterloooville. The Big Lottery funding for all the Big Locals is managed by a national organization called Local Trust, which was set up for this purpose. Local Trust send a representative to Fratton Big Local Partnership meetings.

Who runs Fratton Big Local?

Decisions are made by the Fratton Big Local Partnership, which is made up of voting members and non-voting members.

Voting members 51% of which have to live, work or play in Fratton.

Non-voting members are people who have skills that could be useful to the Partnership, or work for organizations that provide services to Fratton. A non-voting place is reserved for a local City Councillor. There have to be between 8 and 12 voting members, so up to 7 need to live, work or play in Fratton.

How can I get involved?

Volunteering – We're always looking for volunteers to help our projects reach as many people as possible. It makes FBL's work more effective and can be an opportunity to meet new people or gain new skills. Over 100 volunteered with FBL last year.

Fratton Federation – Bi-monthly meeting where people who run organizations or provide services in Fratton meet to share information and ideas. Over 80 people from over 70 organization took part last year.

Fratton Traders Association – A group to enable Traders in Fratton Road to share challenges, ideas and opportunities. They support the Fratton Family Festival and other events and are involved in consultations about developments and changes in Fratton Road.

Friends of Kingston Rec – Help to ensure that the transformed Kingston Rec continues to be safe and clean. They also organize additional play activities and other events including the Family Festive Fox Trail and help the elves install Santa's post box.

Fratton CAN!

The FBL Partnership wants to continue working closely with the community, volunteers, local businesses and partner organizations to make the most positive impact it can in the remaining year of the project. We are exploring ways we might leave a legacy behind us when the project ends. It's an ongoing conversation, so please get in touch with FBL and give us your views.



What area does Fratton Big Local cover?

Everything FBL does has to benefit people who live, work or play in the area inside the red line on the map below:



What did we do in 2022?

MARCH - APRIL 🍴🌱

Fratton Big Local has a Community Grants Scheme which fund local groups or organisations and helps to bring new activities to Fratton. In the past we have helped The Repair Café, The Good Mental Health Co-op and many more. FBL subsidised the room rent for the Chop, Cook and Chat group to encourage men to cook and eat more healthily.



MAY 🏆

At last one of the big annual events in Fratton was back The May Fayre. FBL's contribution to the day was to organise activity inside the church. Stalls for local groups and organisations where you could find out about local creatives like Wild City Portsmouth and Trash Arts, environmental projects like the university's Revolution Plastics or health groups such as Breatheasy.

Always a busy event where 10,000 people attend during the day this year it was more like 15,000.

It was also the day the 2022 Inspiring Fratton Awards opened for nominations. Did you nominate anyone? Did they win? Find more on pages 6 & 7.



JUNE 🍴🏆🌱

On 5th June the whole country was celebrating the Platinum Jubilee. FBL was delighted to be able to hold an "in person" event after so much online. The sun shone brightly for a community picnic and people brought their own sandwiches and enjoyed crown making, a brass band and Black Hat Theatrical's Crown Jewel steeling pirates.



There was even cake to celebrate volunteers' week which was also happening.

JULY 🌱

When PCC decided to remove the tunnel from Kingston Rec we asked you what should replace it. You thought we needed more accessible play equipment. To make sure FBL was choosing something that people would really play on FBL talked to children with additional needs their families and educators about what would be best. The answer was an inclusive roundabout. We hoped it would be in for the summer holidays.



AUGUST 🏆🌱

FBL was busy planning for the Family Festival with its two music stages, rides and stalls after a two-year gap. Local businesses, organisations and charities were all getting ready for the big day and hoping the wonderful weather would hold.

In fact it was so hot the FBL meetings like the Fratton Fed were held in the shade of the trees in the church yard. Community networking outdoors.



Fratton Awards Nomination Form 2023

Pull out



Some of previous years' winners



The 5th year of The Inspiring Fratton Awards

The Inspiring Fratton Awards were set up in 2019 by **Fratton Big Local** and **Stephen Morgan MP** to celebrate people and their achievement in the Fratton Big Local area.

If you are not sure exactly where that is please look at the below map which can also be found on our website: www.frattonbiglocal.org.uk/index.php/map/fbl-area

Each category is open to individuals regardless of their age. The important thing is their actions benefit the Fratton Community.

More than one award may be given in a particular category if judges feel it is appropriate.

So if you know someone from Fratton who is a wonderful dancer, an amazing runner, an inspiring teacher or a great volunteer you can nominate them using this form or online using the QR code.

To nominate someone, you will need to have their permission or their parent or carer if they are under 18 years of age. You may also be contacted about your nomination.

The judges will be using what you have written about your nominee to make their decisions so think carefully about what you write.

You can only make one nomination in each category and only nominate once. Duplicate forms will be discounted.

The Awards are decided by a panel and will be based on what is written about any one nominee not necessarily on the number of times the same person or organisation is nominated.

More than one award may be given in a particular category if judges feel it is appropriate.

Individuals and organisation who have not been nominated or received an award in previous years are particularly welcome.

You can use this paper form to nominate or nominate online via QR Code.

If you use this form, please take or post it to: FBL at Fratton Community Centre, Trafalgar Place, Fratton PO1 5JJ



Nominations will close on 5th October 2023. Awards will be given out on 8th December 2023.

2023 Inspiring Fratton Award Categories.

1. Contribution to Creativity in Fratton.

We are looking for someone who enjoys being creative and has involved the community in acting, crafting, dance drawing and painting, making, music, or any other creative activity locally.

2. Contribution to Learning in Fratton.

We are looking for someone who helps others to learn or make learning enjoyable. It could be a lunch time supervisor, a teacher, a classroom assistant, student or pupil, anyone who helps others achieve and enjoy learning.

3. Contribution to Sport and Exercise in Fratton.

We are looking someone who enjoys exercise or sport and helps others to enjoy it too.

4. Contribution to Volunteering in Fratton.

We are looking for someone who gives up their time to help others and is dependable and reliable.

5. Most effective organisation or team in Fratton.

We are looking for an organisation or group of people who have contributed positively to community life in Fratton.

6. Local Business in Fratton.

We are looking for a business that offers great service as well as involving themselves in the local community.

The Community Spirit Award.

The Judges will also be looking at all the nominations to find the person they feel best embodies Community Spirit in Fratton in 2023.



Fratton Awards Nomination Form 2023

Your Name:

Address:.....

Postcode:.....

Your contact number or email:

1. Contribution to Creativity in Fratton

Category No.:.....

Name of nominee:..... Under 18 ☐

Why you think they should get the award:.....

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Nominee's contact details, phone number, email or address:

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2. Contribution to Learning in Fratton.

Category No.:.....

Name of nominee:..... Under 18 ☐

Why you think they should get the award:.....

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Nominee's contact details, phone number, email or address:

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3. Contribution to Sport and Exercise in Fratton.

Category No.:.....

Name of nominee:..... Under 18 ☐

Why you think they should get the award:.....

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Nominee's contact details, phone number, email or address:

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4. Contribution to Volunteering in Fratton.

Category No.:.....

Name of nominee:..... Under 18 ☐

Why you think they should get the award:.....

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Nominee's contact details, phone number, email or address:

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5. Most effective organisation or team in Fratton.

Category No.:.....

Name of nominee:..... Under 18 ☐

Why you think they should get the award:.....

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Nominee's contact details, phone number, email or address:

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6. Local Business in Fratton.

Category No.:.....

Name of nominee:..... Under 18 ☐

Why you think they should get the award:.....

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Nominee's contact details, phone number, email or address:

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SEPTEMBER 🏆 🌿

The sun continued to shine and everything was ready for the 6th Fratton Family Festival. Then sadly on 8th September Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II died, and the country went into mourning.

This meant the Festival had to be cancelled.

The event is of course planned again for this year and will be on Sunday 10th September 2023. To book a stall email office@frattonbiglocal.org.uk

One thing that did go ahead. The inclusive roundabout was finally installed in Kingston Rec.



OCTOBER 🏆 🌿

Workshop started on lantern making for the 8th Festival of Light. It has become more and more popular each year. FBL and Splodge Designs worked with the beavers, girls brigade and guides school youth groups and older people in a range of venues in Fratton.

The best way to take part in this event is to make your own lantern to carry in the parade. This could be something you do at home or you could come to one of the workshops which FBL runs. There is more information on page ??.



NOVEMBER 🏆 🌿

Over 600 people took part in the lantern parade and even more watched it going down Fratton Road.

Visitors filled the church yard which as part of We Shine

was full of light based attractions, activities and performances but the biggest attraction was in the church itself. The Museum of the Moon, which

has travelled all over the world came to Fratton. Between 13th-23rd there were 20,000 visits to see it. Did you? We hope so.

It was a magical experience that so many people enjoyed. What was the most common reaction? "It's amazing" and it was.

DECEMBER 🏆 🌿

This year's Inspiring Fratton Awards were presented by the local MP who jointly sponsors them with FBL.

Over 150 volunteers and their friends and family came together to celebrate the difference they had made. A wonderful, warm event. So much in Fratton as elsewhere could not happen without volunteers. If you are one of them Thank You!



If not why not become a volunteer in 2023?

2023

JANUARY 🍴 🏆 🌿

Discussions start to formulate plans for Fratton Road which could boost local businesses and bring the community together. If you want to know more contact:

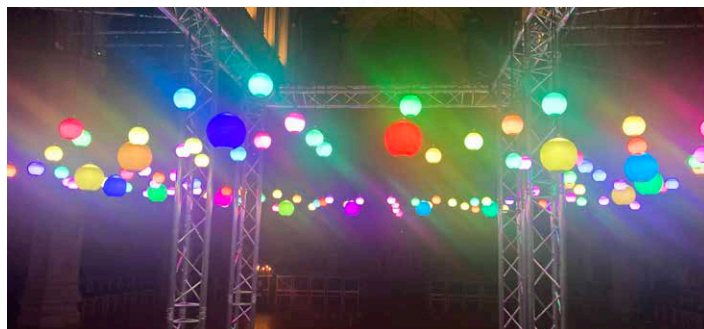
oliver.willcocks@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

FEBRUARY & MARCH 🏆 🌿

As we write this FBL and the Organ project at St Mary's are planning for a 5th Light installation to come to Fratton.

Songs of Home and Circle/دایره

a new light and sound installation at St Mary's Church. Stories, music, and lullabies from local communities and around the world that create peacefulness in a busy world including 3 live performances under the lights. Very different from the moon but another special experience in Fratton.





What happens Next?

May

Monday 1st May Fayre
10.00am – 4.00pm

at St Mary's Church, Fratton Road PO1 5PA. Come and find FBL and other groups and charities inside the church.

Also: Nominations open for The Inspiring Fratton Awards 2023.

Sunday 7th Coronation Big Lunch
12.00 noon – 3.00pm

At St Mary's Churchyard, Fratton Road PO1 5PA

A local event with making, music and children's performances in the church yard as part of the city's Coronation celebrations. Bring your own picnic and enjoy the afternoon with your neighbours. Teas and coffee on sale.

July

Sunday 9th Great Get Together Fun Day
11.00am – 4.00pm

Fratton Community Centre, Clive Road PO1 5JJ

Visit your local community centre for a day of stalls, demonstrations, food, super heroes and a farm yard. FCC event.

Saturday 29th Comic and Cosplay
10.00am – 4.00pm

At Fratton Community Centre, Clive Road PO1 5JJ. Stalls, photos, activities, games, characters and comics. Adults £5.00 under 12's free. FCC event.



September

Sunday 10th 6th Fratton Family Festival
11.00am – 4.00pm

The closed off end of Fratton Road. It's back after a 3 year gap, with two music stages, stalls, activities, children's rides, food and much more.

October

Lantern Making Drop-in Workshops

During half term 21st – 28th where you can make your own lantern to carry in the Festival of Light.



November

Thursday 16th – 22nd

A new Light Installation at St Mary's Church. To be confirmed.

Friday 17th Festival of Light Lantern Parade
6.00pm for a 6.30pm start.

December

Friday 8th Inspiring Fratton Awards Celebration and Volunteers Thank You Event.

Saturday 9th Christmas Fayre
10.00am – 2.00pm

At Fratton Community Centre, Clive Road PO1 5JJ

A chance to buy gifts, visit Santa and even have your photo taken with him. FCC event.



FRATTON COMMUNITY CENTRE – FUN, FRIENDLY & IN THE HEART OF FRATTON

Fratton Community Centre is dedicated to help, support and provide services and activities to the local community. We strive on providing a warm and welcoming environment to all. Proudly we are the home of Pathways Support, Family Kitchen Café and Butterflies Bereavement Support.

The Centre hosts a range of social and sporting activities for all ages and abilities. These include SEND Sessions, Karate, Tai Chi, Pilates, Craft, Basketball, New Age Kurling, Dance, Bingo and much more! If you are looking to start your own group why not pop in for a chat with our Centre Manager, Julie, who will be more than happy to help.



Did you know we also have our very own fully equipped pay-as-you-go Gym? No direct debit means easier budgeting for you.

If you fancy a home cooked meal, or just a cuppa you can be assured of a warm welcome in the Family Kitchen Café.

Pop in and meet our welcoming staff and check out what we have to offer here at your Community Centre.

Email: frattoncc@yahoo.co.uk – www.frattoncc.org.uk – www.facebook.com/frattoncommunitycentre

Fratton Community Centre, Trafalgar Place, Fratton, Portsmouth, PO1 5JJ – Tel: 023 92 751441



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Get support from our Help Around The Home, Meals on Wheels and Handyperson services



How can we help you?

- Ready-to-eat meals delivered into your home
- Hot lunchtime and teatime menus available
- Domestic chores such as vacuuming, mopping and dusting
- Laundry and Shopping
- Spring cleaning service
- Companionship and assistance with day-to-day living
- Small repair and maintenance jobs around your home
- Small decorating and basic security jobs

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CARNEGIE LIBRARY News

King Charles III Coronation Rose

To commemorate the Coronation of King Charles III we shall be adding this gorgeous, fragrant rose to our scented garden.

Summer Reading Challenge 2023

This year the theme is “Ready, Set, Read!”

The Reading Agency announced, “Delivered in partnership with national children’s charity the Youth Sport Trust and public libraries, this year’s Summer Reading Challenge aims to keep children’s minds and bodies active over the summer break, empowering young people to forge new connections with others and unleash the power of play, sport and physical activity through reading.”

The Polish collection is now well established and a is great addition to the library. We have hosted a lovely visit from the Polish school which was a great



success. It was a pleasure to welcome everyone to Carnegie Library and strengthen the links with the local community. Hopefully the first of many visits!

Portsmouth Libraries are open to all who wish to use our services, including people who live, work or study in the city, and from further afield. There are nine branch libraries and a mobile library service offering a variety of services.

There really is something for everyone! We also provide a huge amount of free online services for you to enjoy, including eBooks and eAudiobooks, newspapers, magazines and music downloads.

Please visit our website: <https://librariesandarchives.portsmouth.gov.uk> for more information.



Fratton Road, Fratton, Portsmouth PO1 5EZ

Tel: 023 9282 2581

Email: carnegie.library@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

Opening hours:

Monday	9.30 – 6.00*
Tuesday	9.30 – 5.00
Wednesday	9.30 – 5.00*
Thursday	- Closed -
Friday	9.30 – 5.00*
Saturday	10.00 – 3.30

*Lunchtime closure 12.30 – 1.30





FBL's VISION:

Working together, making Fratton a better place to live, work and play.

FBL's MISSION:

To support projects and initiatives that improve the environment and enhance community life for the residents of Fratton. FBL has been working to deliver this mission by:

Arranging and supporting events that bring the community together to celebrate life in Fratton.

Seeking projects that aspire to enhance community life and improve the environment in Fratton.

Enhancing opportunities which nurture the community and enable them to come together and take decisive action.

Projects which are being run must fulfil our local communities top three priorities:

- **ESTABLISH A COMMUNITY PANTRY TO ENABLE ACCESS TO CHEAPER FOOD LOCALLY** 🍴
- **PROMOTE AND RUN EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY.** 🏆
- **SUPPORT GOOD MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING.** 🧡

www.frattonbiglocal.org.uk

Fratton Big Local

c/o Fratton Community Centre, Trafalgar Place, Fratton, Portsmouth, PO1 5JJ

How can you contact Fratton Big Local?

You can phone us on: **07841 341 969**

Email the administrator: **office@frattonbiglocal.org.uk**

Email the community development worker: **community@frattonbiglocal.org.uk**

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Finding the way forward for Fratton

