



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 the chair of FBL

It is always good to reflect on a year that has passed and then to look forward with hope to what lies ahead.

The last year saw another year when things did not quite go as we had envisaged when we drew up our plan for Fratton Big Local's work 3 years ago.

However, as with 2020, 2021 saw Fratton Big Local continuing to work with the community and our partner organisations and groups to seek to make Fratton a great place to live, work and play.

The last 2 years have highlighted the value and importance of communities working together to care for those within it and to celebrate the life we share together.

I hope that in reading this review of our work you will see how we have sought to build up the life of the community, support those within it and to celebrate Fratton life.

You will also read our thinking for the coming years – based on the conversations and consultations we have had with many people from Fratton.

We look forward to continuing to work with local people and groups as we seek to turn these ideas into action.

On behalf of everyone can I thank all those volunteers, groups and organisations who have worked with us. Also to thank Anna and Monique (supported by Kay) our staff team and my colleagues in the FBL Partnership.

If you have any thoughts or ideas, or want to get involved then please do contact Anna on 07841 341 969 or community@frattonbiglocal.org.uk.

I hope we can all continue to work together as we move through 2022 and the challenges it will no doubt bring!

Father Bob – Chair FBL





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. Two non-voting places are reserved for a local City Councillor and someone who works for the City Council. 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 – An online group for Traders in Fratton Road to share challenges and ideas. They help to plan events such as the annual Fratton Family Festival and support other events like the Family Festive Fox Trail. It has also been involved in consultation on PCC's Future High Street Bid. The city is currently working on the second stage of this bid.

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 2 years 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 2021?

MAY 2021 🏆 🌿

In March 2020 Fratton Big Local was just about to print that year's Fratton Delivers, but then the world changed. So in May 2021 we produced a new, bigger publication about 2 years activities.

Looking back on it now we thought that the world would snap back to "normal" whatever that might mean in April '21. This did not happen FBL realized that so much had changed it was important to consult the community again online and face to face where possible at events until October'21.

Other practical things happened FBL bought and installed a new notice board to go on the side of the container in Kingston Rec and awarded funding to Fratton Community centre to run the "Wilder Community Centre project."



JUNE 2021 🏆

The month started with National Volunteer week and all the hard working FBL volunteers were offered vouchers for free coffee and cake at the Fox Box. The regular quarterly Fratton Federation continued, moving from Zoom to outdoor meetings in the church yard.

JULY 2021 🍴 🏆 🌿

Volunteers and staff continued to collect and deliver library books, prescriptions, walk dogs, and dig gardens and some took part in online training too.

PCC decided they could not safely maintain the play tunnel in Kingston Rec play area and so removed it. Fratton Big Local and the Friends of Kingston Rec asked people what they felt should replace it. The top priority was a piece of inclusive play equipment which everyone could use.

AUGUST 2021 🍴 🏆 🌿

The weather was warm and it seemed the right time for St Mary's to hold their alternative May Fayre and for FBL with support from the Organ Project to hold a Community Picnic. The Big Weekend in the church yard was FBL first attempt at holding a public event since Covid had started.

It was a weekend of stalls and activity on the Saturday and entertainment with the Pompey Pluckers, Black Hat Theatrical performing and origami craft packs on the Sunday. We were still socially distancing but we were out in the church yard together.

The 3rd Inspiring Fratton Awards were launched at the Big Weekend. To publicise this and the Big Weekend events volunteers had delivered flyers to every household in Fratton.

FBL agreed funding for Y Services to run the "Youthy", a regular Monday youth group at the community centre.



SEPTEMBER 2021 🏆

Having run the Big Weekend FBL decided that the community was not yet ready for a crowded street event that often attracts 10,000 people and so for the second year the Fratton Family Festival was cancelled. FBL did however help to fund the Fratton Community Festival Fun Day.

After a year long pilot project FBL was neither able to continue running the Fox Box Cafe it's self nor find someone else to run it. The keys and responsibility for it were therefore returned to PCC.

St Mary's, The Organ Project and FBL agreed to work with Journeys Festival International to be the venue for "Where there is Light" Portsmouth Creates had planned the city wide "We Shine" festival for Nov '20. As a result in 2021 FBL agreed to move the Festival of Light Lantern parade to 19/11/21 to be part of it.



Fratton Awards Nomination Form 2022

Pull out



Some of last years winners



The 3rd 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 action's 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



Nomination close on 30th September 2022. Awards will be given out 2nd December 2022.

2022 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 2022.



Fratton Awards Nomination Form 2022

Your Name:

Address:

Postcode:

Contact Number:

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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Contact details phone or 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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Contact details phone or 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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Contact details phone or 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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Contact details phone or 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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Contact details phone or 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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Contact details phone or email or address:

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OCTOBER 2021 🏆 🌿

"Where there is Light" the light installation originally made by Squid Soup and refugees and asylum seekers for Gloucester Cathedral as part of the Journeys International festival. It was installed in St Mary's Church, with some additional sound track created by the local refugees and asylum seeker community.

In a week more than 3,500 people visited it, many of them from Fratton including students from all 5 local schools.

Visitors comments included:

"Saw lights whilst walking by and just came in"

"Restful, peaceful. Lovely to be welcomed by the church. I could stay all evening."

"It is harmonious and beautiful. It has inspired the children and the descriptions are so powerful."

Lantern making workshops started in mid-October ready for the Lantern Parade and animation workshops with community groups ready to screen in 6 local trader's widows. Another part of We Shine.

NOVEMBER 2021 🏆

Consultation showed that the most popular piece of new play equipment for Kingston Rec Play area was an inclusive roundabout. FBL started looking for additional funding for the purchase and installation.

"The Ship of the Gods" light installation made by Heinrich and Palmer was installed inside St Mary's. Other light based pieces were placed outside and the city wide We Shine Festival launch was held in the church.

The Festival of Light Lantern Parade was the largest ever with 500 plus people taking part carrying lanterns they had made in FBL workshops or at home.

At least 5,000 people visited "The Ship of the Gods" over the 3 nights of We Shine.



DECEMBER 2021 🏆

The 3rd annual Inspiring Fratton Awards (IFA) were presented in St Mary's by Stephen Morgan MP. Even though people were beginning to "stay safe to save Christmas" over 70 people attended including, FBL volunteers to be thanked and have cake.

Do you know someone you feel deserves an award? There is a nomination form on page 7.



JANUARY 2022 🏆 🌿

The year started with people still being cautious as Omicron continued to spread. Many meetings and events were back online again including the FBL Partners meetings but FBL supported an outdoor event Manor Infant School's Big Dig where hedging and fruit trees were planted.



FEBRUARY 2022 🏆

FBL took part in the Reignite Conference at Portsmouth Guildhall talking about the importance of events and celebrations to Fratton residents. They have been in the top 3 priorities in every consultation FBL has run.

As a result FBL was approached by 8 organizations and individuals interested in being part of FFF 2022, showing work or running projects in Fratton.

What happens next? 🍴 🌿 🏆

As a result of the last consultation FBL knows your top priority is for a Community Pantry to be set up in Fratton.

We have been looking for a suitable venue on Fratton Road. As this is written it looks very likely that The Fratton Community Pantry will be able to open in the Bridge Centre before the summer holidays.

FBL will need volunteers to staff it! Look out for requests on Facebook and elsewhere. Training will be provided.

We are going to need your help to make this happen.

FBL hope the final funding will be secured for the inclusive Roundabout so that it will be ready for everyone to play on in the summer holidays. The Play tunnel is now in Stamshaw Adventure playground.

FBL will be helping people celebrate the Platinum Jubilee locally and the 6th Fratton Family Festival should happen in September and the Festival of Light in late November / early December.

If you have ideas for projects, then tell FBL about it. You can help change and improve your local community.



THE ANIMATION FILMS WERE MADE IN OCTOBER 2021 BY :

A creative group from MAKE, Parents and children from Manor Infant School, the Senior Students at the Madani Academy and members of St Mary's Choir plus photos taken at previous lantern parades and in photography workshops run as part of the Organ Project working with Splodge Designs.

FBL would like to thank the following Traders who provided venues for the projections:

Ashleigh Opticians

Portsmouth Liberal Democrats

Mamma Mia Pizzeria

Redz Hair salon

Portsmouth Deaf Centre

Arundel Aviaries & Fisheries Ltd



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.** 🧡





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Fratton Road, Fratton, Portsmouth PO1 5EZ

Tel: **023 9282 2581**

Email: carnegie.library@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

New for 2022

The Polish Community School, St Mary's Road have kindly offered a collection of adult and children's books to Carnegie Library. Once the collection has been cataloged it will be placed in the library. It is hoped to launch this collection in early summer. We shall look forward to welcoming members of the local community to Carnegie Library and will endeavor to create a range of activities for all to enjoy.

The theme for the **Summer Reading Challenge 2022** is science and innovation.

Get ready for 'Gadgeteers', arriving at

Carnegie Library and online this summer.

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.



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

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 Bunny Warren Pre-School, Pathways Support, Youth Options and the Family Kitchen Café.

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**



What is planned for the rest of 2022

- May Fayre **Monday 2nd May** FBL will be in St Mary's Church
- FBL/ Organ Project Platinum Jubilee Community Picnic **Sunday 5th June** 12.30pm – 3.30pm at St Mary's Church yard
- Octopuses Story **Wednesday 8th & Thursday 9th June** Pamodzi Creatives working with local schools to make an installation and performance
- Fratton Community Center Fun Day **Sunday 3rd July**
- Organ Project celebration **Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th July**
- 6th Fratton Family Festival in Fratton Road **Sunday 18th September**
- Lantern making workshops **October / November**
- Festival of Light Lantern Parade **Friday 18th November**
- Inspiring Fratton Awards Celebration **Friday 2nd December**
- Fratton Community Center Christmas Fair **Saturday 10th December**



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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

