

Fratton Big Local



Finding the way forward

Fratton Big Local Newsletter April 2015

Kingston Rec & St Mary's Churchyard

When we were carrying out our research to write the Plan that enabled us to access the Big Lottery funding you told us that these should be our priorities:

- ❖ Making Fratton an attractive destination
- ❖ Improving and making the best use of the green space available
- ❖ Developing & improving community life
- ❖ Working with people to help them think about what they want, hope & need
- ❖ Breaking down barriers and involving the whole community

We've engaged the services of Davies White Ltd, an award-winning firm of landscape architects, to look at the Rec and St Mary's Churchyard and suggest ways of improving these for the benefit of all users.



Big Lunch at the Churchyard 2014 - 2015's event will be on June 7!

We want you to tell us your views on these: *Do you use these spaces? If so, how? If not, why not? What improvements would you like to see?*

If we know what you want, we'll work with other interested parties to try to get it for you!

We'll be at the May Fayre on Monday 4th May (10am-4pm) in St Mary's Churchyard, Fratton. Adam and Andree from Davies White should be joining us then, so you can discuss the project directly with them and us. (They'll also be joining us at the Big Lunch.)

The May Fayre is a great day out - over 100 stalls, arena displays, a bouncy castle, a real ale tent, etc - so please come and join in the fun! Entrance is free.

Supporting young people

You can also meet representatives from Y Services at our stand at the **May Fayre**. We have employed Y Services to help us to reach and work with young people in



Fratton, to help them to achieve their potential and get involved with their community. Come to the May Fayre and find out more.....

Fratton Delivers! event

Thank you to everyone who joined us at the Cubano Beach Club on 10th April to help us celebrate our first year of activities and find out what we've got planned for the coming months.

The children certainly enjoyed the craft activities that we provided to entertain them whilst we spoke to their parents!



Children making headdresses

Community Chest grants update

At our last Partnership Board meeting we awarded grant funding to the following community group:

- ❖ Fratton Live at Home – for their new music and dance sessions

We offer Community Chest grants of up to £500 to support new community initiatives that benefit Fratton.

Contact us if you've got an idea that you'd like to discuss with us, or if you would like an application pack. You can also download an application pack from our website, www.frattonbiglocal.org.uk.

ESOL pilot course update

Our pilot ESOL language and conversation course for women living in Fratton whose first language is not English has now finished. As this has proved successful we hope to run similar courses again later this year. Please let us know if you may be interested in these.

If you're interested in making a difference to Fratton, contact us:

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