

# Fratton Big Local



Finding the way forward

## Fratton Big Local Newsletter September 2015

### Fratton Family Festival – Sunday 20th September



Activities at the south end of Fratton Road

A big thank you to everyone who came to the Fratton Family Festival and made it such a great day!

Working with the Fratton Road Traders Association Fratton Big Local closed part of Fratton Road for a festival showcasing local traders and community groups. The aims were to promote Fratton, showing what a great place it is to live, work and shop, and for people to have fun.

You turned out in your thousands to support us. We hope that you enjoyed yourselves!



And those at the northern end!

It wouldn't have happened without the support of those people who volunteered to help us on the day. Thank you all!

Another big thank you to Nick Courtney from the Fratton Road Traders Association, Mark Graham from MG Security, Nic Williams from the New Theatre Royal, Matt Morey from Nevada Music, and Dominic Elton from Mayfield Studios. You all worked your socks off!



Penny & the ladies from the Rabia Supermarket

The feedback we have received has been wonderful:.

Penny Shepherd, a Trustee from Local Trust, (the organisation that funds us) wrote:

***“It was a great event today.....my congratulations on the event which was clearly both a huge success and a formidable amount of work. Thanks.”***



**“Very good event - a pleasure to be part of it.”** Y Services



The Lord Mayor & his Deputy at Love Tea Pic: Nicola Windle



One of the bands that played Pic: Nick Courtney

**“It was lovely to meet you yesterday and I would like to say what a wonderful day it was, great music and we met some lovely and interesting people, well done to you and all involved. Thank you”** Nicola Windle, Love Tea

People are already asking about next year!

## Open Space improvement project: tell us your views!

The model has been on display at the Carnegie Library, Fratton Community Centre, Penhale Infant School, and at the Fratton Family Festival. Now it is in St Mary's Church. Have a look at the proposals for improvements to St Mary's Churchyard and Kingston Rec. Don't forget that you can also comment on these at: [www.davieswhite.co.uk/frattonbiglocal](http://www.davieswhite.co.uk/frattonbiglocal).

## Democracy Street mural

Fratton Big Local supported the pilot of the Democracy Street project, a national participative digital public arts project - See more at: <http://localtrust.org.uk/news/blogs/democracy-street>

As part of this project we funded the creation of a mural on the wall of Make & the Craft Kitchen in Cornwall Road, Fratton.



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My Dog Sighs and Joe Cavalla worked with a group of over 30 young people to create this mural on 12<sup>th</sup> September.

It's now complete!

We hope it brightens the day of those who see it!

If you have an idea for brightening up an area of Fratton let us know – we may be able to give you a grant to help with this.



*To this!*

## Christmas Lights and the Festival of Light:



*Last year's Festival of Light parade*

Fratton Big Local is sharing the costs of the installation of Christmas lights along part of Fratton Road. We'll have more information about this shortly...

They will be up in time for our next event, the Festival of Light which we've provisionally earmarked for 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Lantern making workshops will be happening in November – we'll let you know when and where soon.

If you work for a local organisation and would like your group to be involved in a workshop, please contact Anna as soon as possible by phone or email (both below).

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