

## THRAPSTON TOWN COUNCIL

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## Community Clubs and Associations

If you organise a community group that you would like to be included in the Town Council's Local Information Leaflet or on

the new website please call us with the name of the Group, contact details etc. If you already have an entry in the Leaflet

please call and check that your contact telephone number is up to date.

### New Tree For Thrapston's Peace Memorial Park

Following the sad but necessary felling of the 'Elephant Tree' in the Peace Memorial Park, Town Councillors and their Groundsman have planted a replacement.

The new tree, a **Pyrus calleryana Chanticleer** was carefully chosen to give abundant blossom in the spring, followed by glossy green foliage turning orange and red in the autumn. The tree will not have such a large canopy which will keep the grass area around it light and spacious.

**Environmentally friendly Poop  
Scoop bags are available free of  
charge at the  
Town Council Offices.**

**PLEASE DISPOSE OF DOG  
WASTE RESPONSIBLY  
RED DOG WASTE BINS ARE  
PROVIDED AROUND THE TOWN**



Special points of interest:

- New Town Council Website
- Sad loss of retired Councillor
- Diamond Jubilee events
- Memorial plaques now available



## Your chance to make a difference!

Following the resignation of a Councillor a vacancy exists on the Town Council which may be filled by co-option. If you would like to serve as a Councillor please apply, in writing or by email, to the Clerk (details on the back page), providing brief background details and stating why you would like to join the

Council. To qualify, a person must be a British subject, aged over 18 years old and an elector, must reside in, or within 3 miles of the Thrapston Town boundary or occupy as owner or tenant any land or premises therein, or have their principal or only place of work there, and must not be disqualified from holding office

as a Councillor. Thrapston is a growing town and faces some interesting challenges. If you think you have the time, enthusiasm and a good knowledge base that will bring that 'something extra' to the Town Council they would like to hear from you!

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### The Thrapston Annual Town Meeting

will be held at

The Thrapston Plaza

On Tuesday 17 April 2012

6.30 pm refreshments

7 pm start

All residents Welcome

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## New Website for the Town Council

The new Town Council website [www.thrapstontowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.thrapstontowncouncil.gov.uk) is expected to go live by the end of March and will be replacing the current website that has been hosted by East Northamptonshire Council and the Welland Partnership. The new site will have an online contact form, minutes and agendas, calendar of meetings and events, a planning

application listing tool, local directory, online newsletter, picture gallery and many other features. Staff will be adding material constantly and also building up the archive material once the site is live. Please log on and explore for yourselves.

## Help Us Protect Our Heritage

**Vandals  
damage  
St James  
Church**

In recent weeks there have been a number of attacks on St James Church building and churchyard resulting in crucial damage to the front door of the church and the destruction of a sign by the boiler house. We use CCTV to apprehend the

perpetrators and we will prosecute anyone caught damaging this historic site. Therefore if you see any person involved in causing criminal damage please contact the Police immediately on 03000 111222 as it is the history and

heritage of Thrapston that is being destroyed. Thank you for your support in helping St James Church and churchyard to remain a welcoming and attractive place for all to visit, enjoy and discover more about God .

## Diamond Jubilee—Thrapston's calendar of events

### April

**14** Best of British Heritage Exhibition (Thrapston Heritage and Thrapston District Historical Society) St James' Church Hall from 10 am to 12.30 pm

**21** Thrapston Primary School PTA Spring Ball 'James Bond' theme at Kettering Park Hotel

21 ENC Market Towns Initiative launch event

### June

**04** Party in the Park and Lighting of the Beacon

**30** Charter Fair 'Best of British'

### July

**07** Summer Ball at the Plaza

For more information contact the Town Council 01832 734 673 or visit [www.thrapstoncommunity.co.uk](http://www.thrapstoncommunity.co.uk)

## Sad Loss of Long Standing Pillar of the Community



The Town Council were saddened to hear of the recent death of Bernard Dennison aged 90.

He was a Town Councillor for 37 consecutive years, retiring in 2007, when he received an etched crystal award in recognition of his service, seen in the picture.

Bernard was resourceful and tenacious, especially in realising the benefits to the town of 106 Section Agreements from developers. He was instrumental in the town gaining some large cash amounts which were used both to buy the Plaza centre and to make a significant contribution to the sports field improvements. These are part of his legacy to us all.

We are grateful for his long years of service to our community. He will be missed.

Cllr Eric Franklin

**Three trees were planted in the Peace Park in March by The Rotary Club of Thrapston & Raunds to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee**

## Cemetery Memorial Plaques

The Town Council have now erected hard wood mounting board's under the arch of the Cemetery Building. You will now be able to remember a loved one by having a plaque with an inscription. Anyone who would like more information please contact Crowson's Funeral Directors who will have the cost and more information about having plaque put on the remembrance wall.

Cllr Roy Jakeman Chairman Cemetery Committee