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KEEP THRAPSTON TIDY

Please ensure
you put your litter,
plastic bottles etc
in the bins provided.

Poop scoop bags are available free
to Thrapston residents from the
Town Council Offices.



**The Town Council
wish all Thrapston Residents
A Happy & Peaceful New Year**

Thrapston Firework Display—Residents contributions

The Town Council would like to thank everyone who attended the firework display in November and who gave so generously towards the Charity collections. An amazing £1120.00 was raised and the proceeds were divided equally between Cransley Hospice and St John Ambulance Thrapston Branch.

Christmas Dance at the Plaza

The Christmas Dance at the Plaza raised £60.00 for the Alzheimer's Society. Grateful thanks to all those who contributed.

Dates for your Diary

19 April 2012 - Annual Town Meeting

**04 June 2012 - Diamond Jubilee Party in the Park and
lighting of the Beacon**

07 July 2012 - Summer Ball at the Plaza



Special points of interest:

- St James Churchyard
- Diamond Jubilee
- Nominations for Town Awards
- Public Toilets Retained



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CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

They worked!!!! In spite of the lateness of the installation our lights were in place and came on at the appropriate time.

Grateful thanks go to Rita Simons from East Enders who came and switched on the lights with no cost to the Town. Thank you also to Father Christmas and everyone who helped make the event a success.

Community Litter-pick

The Town Council would like to thank those that gave up their time to help pick up litter around the town for the Community Litter-Pick during the half term holiday week.

The turn-out was a little disappointing but many bags of litter were collected and Thrapston looked all the better for the annual event.



Be A Good Neighbour

Do you have elderly neighbours? Are they coping with recent changes such as increasing power and food prices? Do they have family visitors? Can they get to the shops easily during bad weather? Can you do anything to help? Be a good neighbour!!!



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St. James' Church Grounds

You can't help but notice the improvements made in the churchyard.

Willing helpers have cleared vegetation and new railings have been sympathetically installed.

Sadly there are still times when vandalism is occurring and where dog owners are allowing their dogs to foul this lovely area that should be enjoyed by the whole community.

Only recently a litter bin was overturned and smashed. Bottles, cans and litter are collected from the churchyard on a regular basis.

Support would be welcomed to protect this historic site. Let us ensure that this area is one that we can be truly proud of rather than ashamed and perhaps our young folk will then appreciate the beauty and sacredness of the area.

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Cremation Memorial Plaques

Memorial plaques can be obtained for mounting under the arch of the Thrapston Cemetery building in Oundle Road.

The plaques will be available through Crowson's Funeral Directors, Huntingdon Road, Thrapston or on 01832 734114

New Website for the Town Council

The *eastnorthantsonline* community portal is due to close in the new year, therefore the Town Council is seeking to upgrade the internet provision with a tailor-made website to assist in giving residents up to date information as easily as possible.

Construction of the website is underway and the site should be up and running before the closure of the existing site in March 2012.

The new domain name for the Town Council website will be

www.thrapstontowncouncil.gov.uk

Diamond Jubilee

A Steering Group has been formed to arrange events throughout the year to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee.

To mark 60 years of the Queen's reign the Diamond Jubilee will take place in 2012. The celebrations will centre around an extended weekend in 2012 on 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th June with a Party in the Park and the lighting of the Thrapston beacon in the Peace Memorial Park on Monday 4th.

A Calendar of events will be available in the Town Council Office or can be found on the Thrapston Community Website.

Thrapston to retain its Public Toilets

In 2011, East Northants Council announced the closure of all Public Conveniences in the District as part of their cost-cutting plans. After lengthy discussions, the Town Council agreed to accept the responsibility for the toilets from the beginning of this year. It was agreed that such a facility was necessary for both local people and visitors and as a Quality Council, it was felt this was a service that could be delivered more effectively and at less cost. The Town Council are pleased to have retained this facility for the town.

**Thrapston
Town Council
takes on
Public Toilets**

Thrapston Town Council Awards

The Town Council are seeking nominations for people that you feel have made a contribution to the Community in the past year.

If you have a certain person or a Group in mind and feel that they are worthy of nominating, we would like to hear from you – please do respond to Jeanne Pike – Clerk to the Town Council

Thank you.