



## Banwell Parish Council News and Information

### Your Parish Councillors

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### Contact Your Parish Council

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- Message us via our website [www.banwellparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.banwellparishcouncil.org.uk)
- Visit us at Banwell Youth & Community Centre **Tues & Thurs 10am-12noon\***
- Follow and contact us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram
- Send us a letter to Banwell PC, Youth and Community Centre, West St, BS29 6BD.
- Attend a Council meeting online on zoom, Facebook Live or in person.

### Follow Banwell Parish Council on Social Media:

**Facebook:** @BanwellParishCouncil

**Instagram:** @BanwellParishCouncil

**Twitter:** @BanwellPc

**YouTube:** Banwell Parish Council



### Banwell Children's Centre / Youth & Community Centre

Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2-4pm: Craft &amp; Chat</li> <li>• 7pm: Planning Committee meeting (1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month)</li> <li>• 7:30pm: Banwell Parish Council (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month)</li> </ul>
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10am – 12pm: Banwell PC Public Opening Hours</li> <li>• 10am – 1pm: Fortnightly Citizens Advice (appointment only)</li> <li>• 10am – 1pm: Fortnightly Book Borrow / Swap</li> <li>• 10am – 1pm: Public Living Room</li> <li>• 12:30 -1:30pm: Soup &amp; a Roll</li> <li>• 2 - 4pm: Tea &amp; Tech (monthly)</li> <li>• 6:30 – 8:30pm Banwell Youth Club (term time only)</li> </ul>
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10am – 12: Banwell PC Public Opening Hours</li> <li>• 10am – 1pm: Public Living Room and Book Borrow / Swap</li> <li>• 12:30 -1:30pm: Soup &amp; a Roll</li> <li>• 2pm – 4pm: "You Can Do I.T." sessions (twice a month)</li> </ul>

The Youth & Community Centre is available for hire outside of these times Monday to Friday £12 an hour Saturday and Sunday £14 an hour.

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### Banwell Youth Club



Entry £1

**BANWELL  
YOUTH CLUB**

TUESDAYS 6:30-8:30PM (TERM TIME) AGES 10-18

Bored after school? Come along to Banwell Youth Club! The club is open and being run by YMCA Dulverton and there is an exciting range of activities planned for their regular **Tuesday** sessions between **6:30 and 8:30pm**. New members always welcome. See the Banwell Youth Club Facebook page for more details:

[www.facebook.com/banwellyouthclub](http://www.facebook.com/banwellyouthclub)



### Tea & Tech / You Can Do I.T.

Tea and Tech sessions involve free digital advice at Banwell Youth & Community Centre. All ages and abilities are encouraged to come along!

- March 14th, 19th, 28th,
- April 11th, 25th, 30th
- May 9th, 23rd, 28th
- June 6th, 20th, 25th

New participants are always welcome, so if you want to learn something new or simply love to have tea and a chat, then contact Liz to book your spot (01934) 820442.

### Soup & a Roll at Banwell Y.C.C.



Banwell Parish Council would like to invite you to come along to the Banwell Youth & Community Centre every Tuesday and Thursday from 12:30-1:30pm for Soup and a Roll! Share a delicious meal with friends and neighbours. Good company and good food - the perfect way to brighten up your day! A voluntary donation of £1 / £2 is requested.

### Banwell Public Living Room

Our Banwell Public Living room in the Banwell Scout Building (West Street car park) is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 10am – 12pm. The Public Living Room is available for all our parishioners of all ages! Find a cosy place to read a book, sit and have a chat with the Crochet Corner Group over a cup of tea, or log onto the Wi-Fi and get some work done at a desk – we even have free tablets and laptops available for use. Free tea, coffee, and biscuits available. We can't wait to see you there!

### Banwell Book Swap



Looking for something new to read? Come along to the *Banwell Book Borrow / Swap!*

The Banwell Book Swap runs from 10am to 1pm every Thursday and alternate Tuesdays at the Banwell Youth & Community Centre. Everyone is welcome to pop in and pick up a book to take home – and, if you like, grab a free cup of tea or coffee and biscuit whilst you sit and read!

### “Back to Basics” and “Fun For One” Cooking Classes



After the success of our “Back to Basics” course our “Fun For One” classes started Thursday Feb 29<sup>th</sup> 2024. Thanks to Neil Merrick for running the four courses and the West of England Rural Network and North Somerset for funding them.

# BANWELL SPRING CLEAN



Dust off your boots and come and join us to tidy up our village! We will be litter picking, sweeping, and cleaning the village ready for Spring.

Meet at the Youth and Community Centre at the bottom of the West Street carpark on **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> of April 10am - 12pm**. All equipment and refreshments will be supplied – just bring weather appropriate clothing and a can-do attitude! See you there 😊

## Biscuit & Snack Wrappers Recycling Point

Following on from the success of our Confectionary Wrapper recycling point, Banwell Parish Council will now be hosting a Biscuits & Snacks Wrappers recycling point at the Y.C.C. on West Street. This recycling point can accept any brand of wrappers from biscuits, crackers and cakes (e.g. Penguin bars), but not chocolate bars (e.g. Mars bars, etc.).



Please be aware that we will **no longer be accepting confectionary recycling at this point**, as this recycling programme has now ended. We look forward to helping you help keep Banwell litter-free!

## Going Green: Solar Panels for our Community Buildings

Thanks to the support of the North Somerset Business Fund, the Parish Council has secured funding for solar panels which will service both the Youth & Community Centre and the Scout Building. We're thrilled to announce this initiative, which will help make our community buildings more sustainable and environmentally friendly.

A big thank you goes out to the Scouts for allowing us to utilise their roof space for the solar panels. Their cooperation has been invaluable in making this project a reality. With the installation of these solar panels, we're taking a step forward in reducing both our carbon footprint and embracing renewable energy. It's a small but important change that aligns with our commitment to caring for our environment.

We're excited about the positive impact these solar panels will have on our community and look forward to seeing the benefits they bring. Here's to a greener future for us all!

## Unveiling Our Vision: Introducing our New Strategic Plan

We're excited to share with you the launch of our Parish Council's latest strategic plan and its resulting action plan! This plan is the Parish Council's roadmap for the future, outlining our goals and priorities in a clear and accessible way.

Inside, you'll find our plans for improving parish council owned infrastructure, caring for the environment, engaging with our community, and supporting local businesses. These are the areas we've identified as crucial for our growth and well-being. We encourage you to take a look at the plan and get familiar with our goals. Your thoughts and ideas are always welcome as we work together to make our community the best it can be.

You can find a copy online <https://www.banwellparishcouncil.org.uk/parish-council/strategic-plan-2024-2029> alternatively contact the Clerk for a copy. Let's journey toward a brighter future together!