

BOROUGHBRIDGE MAYOR'S DIARY
Councillor Geoff Craggs's Weekly Diary

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A relatively quiet week for council activities, as is usual during August, although it would appear that the new County Council offices at Stump Cross were officially opened last Friday in what seems to have been a ceremony exclusive to County Councillors, officers and associates. It is to be hoped that some of the huge back log of " jobs to do" which have been reported to County by Boroughbridge Town Council and neighbouring parishes may now be dealt with, if our new " neighbours" drive, or preferably walk, through our streets and roads on their way to and from work and see our pot holed roads, pavements and overgrown verges- one path in particular from Spring Gardens to Aldborough crossroads is now all but impassable and consequently dangerous. The sad thing is that we have been assured for years (yes, years!) that these issues were in County's programme and would be dealt with.....when, please?

On Friday evening we went, as we have done for several years, to "Gala on the Green" at RAF Linton on Ouse with our gang of "the usual suspects" and had a fabulous evening. The "Gala" is one of the area's little publicised but most enjoyable annual events, where for a very modest entrance fee you can park your car, take a free bus to the site with your food, drink and other paraphernalia, set up "camp" and settle down for an evening's entertainment (whilst having your wallet emptied in support of very worthy charities); if you don't want to take your own refreshments, these are available on site. What is the entertainment? This year, aerobatic displays by a Hawker Fury replica, a Tucano and the guest appearance of a Spitfire, followed by music from the Station Band, the de Costa singers and the York Railway Institute Band, ending with a fireworks display- a brilliant evening, and it kept fine! Put it in your diaries for next year- you won't be disappointed.

As you should now be aware, the "Diary" is written on Mondays in order to hit the Gazette's "deadline"; tomorrow evening is the monthly full TC meeting, so there should be more to report next week- until then make the most of the current reasonable "Indian Summer"!