

# CIVIC WEEK

The Civic Week Committee have been working hard on their programme of events for 2017.

And here's some dates for your diary:

15th April - Easter Disco at Trinity Church

30th April - Charity Show at HoB Club

10th - 16th June - Week long programme

## SATURDAY, 17th JUNE PARADE DAY

This years theme is GOOD v EVIL

There's lots more going on so check out the Cowdenbeath Civic Week Facebook page for all the up to date details

## AND REMEMBER



Morrisons (Cowdenbeath) Car Park  
**10AM - 2PM**

The last **SUNDAY** in every month  
(March - December)  
**£5.00/Car**

Book in advance/Turn up on the day  
Contact L Calder -01383 513446 for  
more info.

**ALL WELCOME**

## COWDENBEATH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Do you want to become more involved in your Community?

Do you want to help express the views and concerns of local people, groups and businesses on a range of issues to the local authority, other public bodies and private agencies.

Then why not join Cowdenbeath Community Council.

We currently have vacancies.

We meet once a month (excepting July and December), on the third Thursday in Brunton House at 18.30 - 20.00, with opportunities for as much further involvement as you like AND there is no cost for membership.

Please visit our website ([www.cowdenbeathcc.org.uk](http://www.cowdenbeathcc.org.uk)) for further information or come and sit in on one of our meetings - you will be made most welcome

**ALEX HADDOW,**  
Chairman, Cowdenbeath CC



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## THE MAXWELL CENTRE

Cowdenbeaths' new community centre is due to open its doors in the next few months. The centre is on the site of the old Social Work in Stenhouse Street. Once complete the refurbished facility will be home to a multi function community hall, creche, outdoor play area, youth hub, learning and community kitchens, cafe, bar facilities, recording and rehearsal studios. It will also have wifi throughout. Keep your eyes and ears open for details of the opening. We want it to be used as much as possible.

## HOW TO IMPRVE OOR BIT

Projects for our town 'won' a share of the £250,000 available to improve places and spaces in Cowdenbeath Area.

This year, expect to see improvements at the train station, a tidying up of the area along the line, enhancements to the public park and improvements at the gateways of Cowdenbeath.

The initiative was part of Participatory Budgeting where councils ask their residents how they want their money spent. There might be another PB exercise this year so if you want to have a say - get involved.

## SCIENCE FESTIVAL

Rumour has it that the Science Festival will return to the Leisure Centre this year. Details on when -will be published on our Facebook page as well as in local paper. Something for all the family.

## BOUNDARY CHANGES

The UK Government is proposing a shake-up of Scottish constituencies which will re-draw boundaries in Fife.

What that means for Cowdenbeath is that under the proposals the Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath constituency will be broken in two, with Kirkcaldy joining with Glenrothes and Cowdenbeath merging with Kinross-shire. It is part of the plans to reduce the number of constituencies by 50 across the UK including getting rid of 6 in Scotland. If the proposals are agreed, they will be in place in time for the 2020 general election.

## PUBLIC ACCESS WIFI

Have you used the FREE wifi available in the High St. It was launched the beginning of December 2016. We're hoping folks will use the WiFi and pop into the shops while you're in the High Street. Our local businesses need your support. If you have used it, let us know what you think?

## SHUTTER ART'

More shop owners have come forward asking to be part of the 'shutter art' initiative. Kerry and the pupils from BHS will be busy in the coming months. Why not pop down the High Street and see the fruits of their labour. Looking good Cowdenbeath.

## SHOP LOCAL

We have quite a few good local businesses in our Town. If you want to keep them, show your support and shop locally

## WHAT'S YOUR BEATH

Do you want to know what's going on in our Town. Then come along to the friendly new "community hub" - What's your Beath - which is due to open soon on the High Street. From Town Centre Development plans to what events are happening in the area. Pop into the 'hub' and find out more information. Details of when the "community hub" opens will be in the local press and on social media.

## THE 'GREEN SITE'

Work to develop the 'green site' in the High Street is due to start this year. First on the agenda is to clear the Japanese Knotweed which is on the site. We have been advised that clearance of the knotweed was scheduled for February. And as we put this newsletter to print, we have seen machinery at the back of the green site digging it out. Changes are happening.

## BRUNTON SQUARE

The Community Council are applying for funding with a view to deliver a heritage garden on the site of Brunton Square. The hope is to make the entrance into the Town a wee bit more attractive, a place where folks could meet and enjoy the garden. The aim is to also reflect the heritage of Cowdenbeath within the site. Perhaps to install information boards as well as a mosaic on one of the walls. What do you think?