

## **Local Councillor update 040224 –**

A really busy week again, lots of meetings (see below) and responding to emails, queries and posts of FB and issues, whilst I'm out and about in Southam, Stockton and Napton. Lots of discussions around WCC's budget, which will be presented this week, and whilst the situation is quite challenging, WCC is in a far better position than many councils.

### **Meetings/visits**

Fire service Consultation event in Bedworth, meeting of Nuneaton & Bedworth's scrutiny committee, budget meetings at WCC.

I've also been out reporting potholes (Welsh Road East due to be resurfaced 2024/25), faulty streetlights, overgrown hedges, blocked rights of way, need for new road markings etc.

### **Resourcing to Risk Consultation**

Warwickshire Fire and Rescue is looking at its service delivery model as part of the Resourcing to Risk approach.

Please read about the need for change and comment on the proposals at:

<https://ask.warwickshire.gov.uk/insights-service/wfrs-r2r/>

### **Southam Consultation – click below**

[https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/warwickshire-fire-and-rescue-76075908553?fbclid=IwAR38mJ-HsQyD\\_drIBC9fqom7hk3-nhLNPJQgycKDKPsGRqLu5lxLh3zRGUM](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/warwickshire-fire-and-rescue-76075908553?fbclid=IwAR38mJ-HsQyD_drIBC9fqom7hk3-nhLNPJQgycKDKPsGRqLu5lxLh3zRGUM)

### **Report it: Flooding and drainage issues**

Council officers are out across the county clearing our blocked gullies and drains following the recent flooding. If you spot any issues with blocked drains or gullies in your local community, please report it at <https://warwickshire.gov.uk/reportit> and click on report flooding or drainage issue.

### **Log highways issues and report feedback**

Warwickshire County Council has launched a new platform to support the way customers can report a highways problem or log customer feedback through its website.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4953/updates-to-the-way-customers-log-highways-issues-and-report-feedback>

## **Kings Award for Voluntary Service**

Three voluntary and charitable organisations in Warwickshire have been recognised this month in formal award presentations by the Lord Lieutenant of Warwickshire, Tim Cox.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4958/three-local-organisations-presented-with-the-kings-award-for-voluntary-service-by-warwickshires-lord-lieutenant>

## **Living Well boost for health and wellbeing**

Warwickshire County Council is encouraging residents to be inspired by its Living Well website to improve their general health and wellbeing.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4959/living-well-to-boost-your-health-and-wellbeing->

## **Hey Foster Carer celebration event**

Warwickshire residents are invited to attend a celebration event to the launch of the 'Hey Foster Carer' booklet in Old Shire Hall on Wednesday 28th February.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4961/-hey-foster-carer-a-celebration-of-children-s-voices-in-fostering>

## **Kitchen Dangers**

Following a rise in kitchen-related fires in the County, Warwickshire Fire and Rescue service would like to remind everyone to have safety at the forefront of their minds.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4960/fire-services-urges-people-to-be-alert-to-dangers-in-the-kitchen>

## **Dangerous stop-start-button showerheads**

Warwickshire County Council Trading Standards is warning consumers not to use a dangerous replacement 'stop-start-button' showerhead that can cause second and third-degree burns.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4962/warwickshire-trading-standards-act-after-resident-is-burnt-by-dangerous-showerhead>

## **Rights of way public engagement**

Tell the Council about your experience of using public rights of way, how important they are for you and how could they be better

Feedback will help to develop the priorities and actions of a new plan.

Fill out our survey today here: <https://ask.warwickshire.gov.uk/insights-service/warwickshire-rowip/>

### **Young person bus travel**

Investing in a bus pass is a great way to save money in the long run, as well as to help your children become more independent, responsible, and confident as they grow up.

Find out how much you could save by visiting the website:  
[www.warwickshire.gov.uk/buses](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/buses)

### **A conversation about mental health**

Sometimes it's easier to tell people we're 'fine' than it is to say how we really feel.

Make yourself part of the conversation and start an important chat with someone you care about.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4963/have-a-conversation-about-mental-health>

### **Warwickshire's youth council elections**

The polls are now open for the county's children and young people to vote for their peers in Warwickshire's youth council elections.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4965/voting-is-open-for-warwickshire-s-next-young-politicians>






### **Warwickshire libraries customer satisfaction survey**

You are invited to share your views about library services in Warwickshire.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4968/share-your-views-about-warwickshire-libraries-in-new-customer-satisfaction-survey>

### **Help from Warwickshire County Council**

If you are struggling with money and need help now, Warwickshire County Council can help with:

-  food, energy and water bills
-  money advice
-  aspects of family life
-  accessing emergency food
-  mental health support

Find help here: <https://costoflivingwarwickshire.co.uk/home/i-need-urgent-help>

### **Reporting highways issues – or let me know !! [cllrcrump@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:cllrcrump@warwickshire.gov.uk)**

Warwickshire County Council is urging residents to report any Highways faults that they encounter while driving or walking in the county via its website.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4085/warwickshire-county-council-encourages-residents-to-report-road-issues>

### **Bin Collection Calendar**

SDC no longer post out the A5 bin collection calendar as a matter of course.

<https://www.stratford.gov.uk/waste-recycling>

A pdf can also be downloaded or printed

Paper copies can be requested still either by emailing [info@stratford-dc.gov.uk](mailto:info@stratford-dc.gov.uk) or ringing 01789 267575. Residents in my ward of Stockton and Southam Central and East can use my contact details ( [andrew.crump@stratford-dc.gov.uk](mailto:andrew.crump@stratford-dc.gov.uk) ) or [07771335273](tel:07771335273) if they need my assistance.

Missed Bins – please continue to report to SDC – the App is very useful for doing so and **make a note of your reference**. It helps SDC hold the Contractor to account.

Missed bins -. Contacts are [streetscene@stratford-dc.gov.uk](mailto:streetscene@stratford-dc.gov.uk) or Telephone: 01789 260616

Or download the app.

<https://www.stratford.gov.uk/online-forms/missed-bin-report-form.cfm?fbclid=IwAR3vkf03zQgXUsEHH04ODegfid1b1msbwpVg8DG6nQn47HoAcwmw5LL9Joc>

<https://www.stratford.gov.uk/online-forms/missed-bin-report-form.cfm>

**PAVEMENT PARKING/PARK IT RIGHT – the excuse, I won't be long isn't sufficient – it only takes a few seconds for a collision to occur. THINK ABOUT OTHERS NOT JUST YOURSELF**

**Every week, I get reports of some terrible parking – with cars blocking pavements (especially dropped kerbs), making it impossible for people with mobility scooters or with push chairs to get by, without going into the road. In some cases, too, emergency services vehicles (particularly fire appliances) would struggle to pass. PLEASE THINK OF OTHER PEOPLE, NOT JUST YOURSELF**

PLEASE REPORT ANY ASB , however trivial it may seem. Small incidents can lead to bigger ones, so better to stop them before they escalate .Also, the more calls/incidents the Police have, the sooner they will realise there is a problem in a certain area. PLEASE ALSO ENSURE YOUR PROPERTY AND CAR IS LOCKED AND SECURE.

Reporting out of hours highways issues can be challenging, the best number for that is 01926 415000.

[streetlighting@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:streetlighting@warwickshire.gov.uk) or 01926 412515 (not all are currently owned by WCC – some owned by town or parish council.)

<https://www.fixmystreet.com/reports/Warwickshire>

It is worth noting for future reference that anything immediately dangerous on the highway should be reported direct to the Police on 999, which is the same process for any pressing issue Out of Hours.

During normal office hours - 8:30am to 4:30pm, WCC call centre is best on 01926 412515

**Councillor groans – particularly bad this week**

I've combined Artificial Intelligence with breakfast cereal.  
Clever Kloggs.

I went to see a band last night called Deja vu.

I'm sure I've seen them before

Pets At Home are the latest high street name to fall upon hard times.  
They've called in the retrievers.

Got up early this morning to go into town so I hopped on a bus.  
After 10 minutes the bus driver asked me kindly to sit down..

My wife has just said she's leaving me and moving in with her mother because of my obsession to be a supermarket cashier.  
I said, "Would you like any help with your packing

Kind regards

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