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Just days to go to the Platinum Jubilee - don't miss the West Bridgford Street Party next Sunday!



There's just days to go to Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee!

The weekend of celebrations here in the Borough kick starts this Thursday June 2 with beacon lighting ceremonies in many of our towns and villages and will be rounded off with our free public street party on Central Avenue, West Bridgford on Sunday June 5 as part of the national Big Lunch.

[Selected local food and drink venues will be open during the event](#) offering tasty Jubilee packages to purchase on the day and great local restaurants will be offering special Jubilee items that can also be enjoyed on over 40 picnic benches lining the street.

Event goers can also enjoy the event's food stalls, barbecue, fish and chip stall and bar and an entertainment programme will give the crowds plenty to sing-a-long to and enjoy on the street, adjacent Croquet Lawn or mini stage.

It includes a DJ, London Guards, acts from across the decades and a vintage market from Hopkinson, West Bridgford and interactive crafts such as crown and flag making.

[Read more on our website.](#)

Thousands of flags are still available to pick up to help residents wave and cheer on the celebrations.

The 100% biodegradable flags are able to be composted at home and two per household can be collected during opening hours between now and Wednesday June 1 at:

- **Our West Bridgford Customer Service Centre, Fountain Court on Gordon Road** this Monday 8.30am-5pm
- **Cotgrave Hub** this Monday 8.30am-5.30pm
- **East Leake Library**, this Wednesday 8.30am-12.30pm

Win prizes on the West Bridgford corgi trail this half-term!



Residents and families can be in with a chance to win prizes as part of the West Bridgford Platinum Jubilee Corgi Trail this half term!

The trail is aimed at primary school aged children who have the royal mission to find 18 hidden Corgi postcards displayed in selected shop and business windows on Gordon Road, Central Avenue, Bridgford Road, Melton Road,

Abbey Road and Hilton Crescent in the town until Saturday June 11.

Trail sheets can be downloaded from the [West Bridgford Way website](#) or collected from any of the following businesses except on Sundays:

- Rainbows and Lemondrops, Gordon Road (also closed June 4 and 6)
- Daisy Daisy, Melton Road
- Lulu b, Hilton Crescent

All trail sheets can be submitted to any of the three shops where all trail goers will receive a small prize of free sweets and pencils regardless of the number of corgis found when returning a sheet to one of the three businesses.

Or, they can submit their trail sheet to the West Bridgford Way stall at the Jubilee Street Party event on Central Avenue in town on Sunday June 5 from 11am to 4pm.

Cllr Tina Combellack is the newly elected Rushcliffe Mayor



The new Mayor of Rushcliffe, Cllr Tina Combellack, has said she is “honoured and proud” to have been elected to office for the forthcoming 12 months and aims to conduct the role with an all-inclusive approach.

In a ceremony in the Council Chamber at Rushcliffe Arena on Thursday she accepted the position from 2020/21/22 incumbent Cllr Sue Mallender as part of our Annual Council meeting.

A Borough Councillor since 2009, she said she will invite those from groups such as The Deaf Society and The Dyslexia Association to Full Council meetings to learn more about how the authority can reach out even further on all forms of communication used by Rushcliffe residents.

As the ‘first citizen’ of the Borough the Mayor will attend many official engagements during her term of office this year.

The Conservative councillor has nominated Nottinghamshire and Lincolnshire Air Ambulance and the Grantham Canal Water Restoration Group as her chosen charities for the year both with connections to her rural ward and will raise vital funds for their causes.

The Canal Group works hard to promote the water and health benefits of maintaining parts of the canal for the community.

Residents can [find out more on the air ambulance’s work](#) at or the restoration group’s [facebook group](#).

Cllr Debbie Mason was elected as Deputy Mayor for the next 12 months and expressed her honour of being entrusted with the role.

[Read more on our website.](#)

Progress continues on new Rushcliffe Oaks crematorium



Progress is continuing on the new Rushcliffe Oaks crematorium with the creation of a modern contemporary building and community space in Stragglethorpe near Cotgrave focussing on reflecting a connection back to nature and wildlife.

We anticipate the facility will open later this year following a discovery day earlier this month that saw residents and

businesses have the chance have their questions answered.

It was also an opportunity to suggest names for its chapel and to complete a survey on memorialisation features at the site.

The latest information is available at by emailing info@rushcliffeoaks.co.uk or on its dedicated Facebook page - simply search Rushcliffe Oaks.

Partners met on site this week to view the latest progress as the main building's structure continues to take shape.

The crematorium will be operated and managed by ourselves, with service times between the hours of 9.30am to 4.30pm, Monday to Friday.

[Read more on our website.](#)

'No Mow' summer pollinator sites return!



We are again installing a number of 'No Mow' areas across the Borough to act as summer pollinator sites and encourage wildlife and habitats to thrive even further.

It follows on from the success of the scheme last year and we are now expanding the campaign to 22 sites across the Borough from May to September this year, a further 16 compared to 2021.

Our partners Streetwise are now not mowing selected areas across the Borough to help create the natural corridors to support and enhance local wildlife.

All sites feature signage stating 'please excuse the weeds, we are feeding the bees!'

This sustainable management of the open spaces helps to not only mitigate the impact of climate change but supports our Carbon Clever initiative and our commitment to become carbon neutral by 2030.

To see the list of sites and find out more [please visit our website.](#)

£250k loan agreed to fund new East Leake sports pavilion



We have agreed to a loan of up to £250,000 to help fund a new sports pavilion in East Leake that will offer a contemporary new facility for the village and surrounding area's sports teams and function room for community use.

This follows on from our Cabinet's approval of the sum to East Leake Parish Council at its meeting on May 10 that will now help complete the ongoing project to modernise facilities for the new building at Costock

Road Playing Fields in the village.

It is set to include new changing rooms, showers, toilets, a kitchen and bar area and two club rooms, replacing the existing wooden pavilion on the site.

The current base, which is home to several local sports teams, is in need of the refurbishment and the loan and the short-term advance to the authority has now been secured.

It will be repaid by the Parish Council after it receives external funding towards the £970,000 project.

[Read more on our website.](#)

Monkeypox update

 UK Health Security Agency



Monkeypox: what to look out for

The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) is investigating the source of monkeypox infections as evidence suggests that there may be transmission of the virus nationally, spread by close contact.

It is working closely with the NHS and other stakeholders to urgently investigate where and how recent confirmed monkeypox cases were acquired, including how they may be linked to each other.

Monkeypox is a rare viral infection that does not spread easily between people. It is usually a mild self-limiting illness and most people recover within

a few weeks. However, severe illness can occur in some individuals.

The virus can spread if there is close contact between people and the risk to the UK population is low.

Symptoms include:

- Unusual rashes or lesions on the body such as the face or genital area
- Fever
- Muscle aches
- Chills and exhaustion
- Headaches
- Swollen lymph nodes

Anyone who thinks they have monkeypox symptoms however mild should contact NHS 111 or call a sexual health clinic immediately. Calls will be treated sensitively and confidentially and those with symptoms should avoid close personal contact with others until a clinical assessment is completed.

Learn more and chat to experts on the future of healthcare in Rushcliffe



The Future of Healthcare in Rushcliffe

Anyone registered with Rushcliffe GP practices are invited to learn more on the future of healthcare in the area in a dedicated event on the changes and exciting advances already underway to local health and wellbeing services.

'The Future of Healthcare in Rushcliffe' event takes place on Thursday June 30 at Rushcliffe Arena from 1pm to 4pm, with residents able to book their free place [here](#) and get their questions answered.

You can hear and chat more with local GPs and other health and care experts, meet local voluntary sector groups and fellow residents to hear more on the shared vision for the future of health in the area.

The event aims to enhance knowledge of health, wellbeing and resilience for individuals and local services and how patients and residents are equal partners to the service provided by the NHS.

The event will also outline how the services will be delivered in a sustainable way aligned to the environmental commitments.

The event is similar in content and style to the recent 'The Future of Healthcare in West Bridgford' event which took place in April and those who attended are asked to allow others to access this latest event due to limited numbers.

[Read more on our website.](#)

Health and Wellbeing hubs now underway following community testing programme



Health and Wellbeing Hubs



- Covid-19 and other vaccines, including helping you book appointments
- How to keep healthy
- How to make your money go further
- How to find and access local health and wellbeing support
- How to improve your wellbeing by spending time with others

With the Government funded Covid Community Testing Programme ending earlier this year, Notts local authorities are now funding a new programme of Health and Wellbeing Hubs until September.

Locations in new and many of the previous community testing sites will now host the hubs that will promote Health and Wellbeing messages on living safely with COVID, vaccine hesitancy, mental health, financial advice and signpost to the relevant professional services for counselling.

Here in Rushcliffe, the next sessions are on the Big Jubilee Lunch on Sunday June 5 on the Green on Candleby Lane in Cotgrave from 9.30am to 3pm and on Thursday June 9 at Bingham Market Place from 9.30am to 3pm.

All the latest information on the site locations, dates and times can be viewed [here](#).

Big Business Carbon Club meet and share learning for carbon reduction!



Partners and enterprise from across the Borough have again come together for our Big Business Carbon Club, sharing learning, views and skills on their carbon reduction journeys.

Representatives from us, the British Geological Survey (BGS), University of Nottingham, Artex, Ideagen, MHR Global and Belvoir Health Group gathered at the club's latest meeting last week at the Survey's headquarters in Keyworth.

The session saw them complete an interactive Climate Fresk workshop - a 'causes and consequences' card game that highlighted the impact of human activity on climate change.

Events such as this is a large part of our Carbon Clever mission and Climate Change Strategy, seeking to engage with businesses to find ways to work towards becoming carbon neutral.

Read more on our [website](#).

COVID-19 vaccine latest



COVID-19 vaccination appointments can still be booked through 119, the [NHS website](#) or by walking in during certain times. You can find walk in times on the [NHS website](#).

Children aged 5-11 continue to be eligible for a vaccination to help protect them and those around them from the virus and a pop up clinic is now taking place close to the Borough at Clifton Cornerstone, NG11 8EW, every Tuesday afternoon.

Vaccination sanctuaries are also available at this site where parents and guardians can come along and ask questions on the receiving the jab.

Other sanctuary information and mobile COVID-19 van locations are also available [here](#).

The NHS will contact all eligible adults for a top up vaccine later this summer.

A reminder in line with government's [living with COVID plan](#), in healthcare settings staff, patients, and visitors are still required to wear a face covering.

As the Jubilee Bank Holiday looms the NHS are also advising prescription users to ensure they book their required prescriptions in advance.

£150 Council Tax rebate update



Most residents who pay their Council Tax via Direct Debit should have now received the £150 central government rebate direct to their bank account through which the payments are made.

Letters are being sent to residents confirming the payment has been administered but no further action is required.

We are also contacting residents not already in receipt of the rebate inviting them to apply for the payment and requesting any relevant information.

For cash payers and those direct debit payers who have yet to make a payment to their council tax account from April 1, 2022, it is anticipated will receive payments by the end of June.

The deadline from central government to administer the payments is the end of September.

There is also a discretionary scheme and we anticipate the relevant software to be available from the end of this month and payments will be made thereafter.

Residents should also still be aware of the national issue of scammers cold-calling asking for bank details to receive the government's £150 energy rebate.

The Local Government Association have urged people to be alert to the scam and to **never give out personal information** and emphasised Rushcliffe Borough Council and all local authorities would never request bank details over the phone.

Anyone who unexpectedly receives a text, email or phone call seeking information or payment should not give out personal information, including bank details, click any links or respond until they are sure it is genuine.

Support for Ukraine nationals and hosts event in West Bridgford on June 1



Ukraine nationals, their hosts and anyone set to be a host who lives in Rushcliffe and the surrounding area are invited to a Support for Ukraine session in West Bridgford on Wednesday June 1.

Held at the Wightman Hall scout hall on Stratford Road in the town, NG2 6BA, from 10.30am to 12.30pm, it's an opportunity for all to join together and share views, ideas and support to help

with each other's network of help as more guests arrive in the coming weeks and months.

Representatives from Rushcliffe Borough Council and Nottinghamshire County Council will be in attendance to offer support and advice.

Please confirm if you are set to attend by emailing co-ordinator Pam Kirby pam.kirby@ntlworld.com

For all the latest on wider support efforts visit www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/ukraine

Become a foster carer – community support is always on hand



Foster care fortnight is now running its national campaign until May 22, focusing this year on the many ways people in the fostering community support each other.

Nottinghamshire County Council needs more foster carers urgently so that Notts children can

be placed locally rather than away from their local area.

They are looking for more people to become foster carers to make sure every child who cannot live with their own family gets the care they need and are well supported.

Nottinghamshire's foster carers are supported every step of the way and receive exceptional benefits, support, and training packages.

If you want to find out more, ask questions or take the first step towards becoming a foster carer, contact the friendly fostering team for a no-obligation chat at Nottinghamshire.gov.uk/foster or you can call the team on 0115 804 4440.

Great discounts available at local outlets with Green Rewards!



Don't forget to register for the Green Rewards scheme where there's dozens of brilliant local businesses where you can redeem money off vouchers simply for logging your carbon avoidance actions!

It's easy to accumulate points quickly such as recycling, switching lights off at home or walking or cycling instead of taking the car.

To join the platform, search 'Notts Green

Rewards' or visit notts.greenrewards.co.uk.

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Bike marking session available in Radcliffe later this month



reunited with their bike if stolen.

Our Community Safety team and Nottinghamshire Police will host their next bike security session later this month to assist cycle owners with measures to deter thieves.

The event takes place on Saturday May 21 at The Royal Oak Pub, Radcliffe on Trent from 10am to midday.

Marking bikes can enable the rightful owner to be traced and

There will also be a limited supply of D locks to swap free of charge for old, weaker locks and some alarmed shed padlocks to help protect bikes whilst locked up at home. A crime prevention stall will also be available to help provide advice and information.

Latest on support efforts for Ukraine



We continue to work with partners to assist the response on helping Ukrainian nationals through the central government sponsorship scheme and how residents can continue to get involved in offering support to the scheme.

It includes a local [Welcome Pack](#) from our partners at the County Council outlining what Ukrainians need to do before they travel to the UK and what to

do after arrival.

All the latest on this and local events and fundraising opportunities [are updated on our webpage.](#)

Planning applications



The latest planning applications can be viewed on [our website.](#)

All the latest information for residents is available on the [Coronavirus webpages](#) or over the phone on 0115 981 99 11.

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