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News



Recycle more... this Easter

Planning for a low waste Easter? From recycling Easter egg packaging to reducing food waste, we have lots of tips and advice to help. <u>Discover Easter Recycling Tips</u>.

Keeping NWL clean and green with the Zero Litter Campaign



An action plan

has been created to help us reach our ambitious target of zero litter in just two years.

Some key actions we'll focus on include participation in local and national campaigns, looking at litter bin usage and technology options, CCTV camera use in hotspot areas and working in partnership with councils across the whole of Leicestershire.

Help For Ukraine

NWLDC has a dedicated webpage for the crisis in Ukraine. To find out about

- Homes For Ukraine Scheme
- Ukraine Family Scheme
- Donating aid
- Information and help for those settling in the UK from Ukraine

This information can be found by visiting our page <u>here.</u>

Covid-19

The NHS is offering coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccines to children aged 5 to 11 years.



Experts have advised that parents of all children aged 5 to 11 years should be offered the chance to have their child vaccinated. Vaccination is particularly important for children who have health conditions that put them at high risk from COVID-19, as the benefits are greater.

Children will be offered the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine. Each vaccine is a third of the dose of vaccine that is given to older children and adults. Parents will receive information offering them the chance to make an appointment for their child to be vaccinated.

Funding

Queen's Platinum
Jubilee Grant

This grant has now closed. We have had a fantastic response which has seen over 40 applic

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There will be many fantastic ways to celebrate The Queens Platinum Jubilee.

We have a new community grants poster. <u>Click here</u> to download a copy and please share.



The Community Focus Team

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Zara Barnes
Coalville and surrounding areas



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Send in your events, news and community opportunities to community.focus@nwleicestershire.gov. uk

Events



Is your community prepared for Flooding?



Do you have a Community Flood Warden? It is recommended that every parish should have at least 2-3 wardens, not just those who have a large river, brook or watercourse running through their area. To find out what areas are at risk within your parish we recommend you visit the Environment Agency Flood maps for surface water and river flooding. See link below https://flood-warning-information.service.gov.uk/long-term-flood-risk/map

Training sessions for anyone wishing to learn more about becoming a Community Flood Warden are available. See further details below

18:00—20:00, 26 May 2022,
 North West Leicestershire

To reserve your space please contact emergency.management@leics.gov.uk or telephone 0116 3056101.

Events

WORK.LIVE. LEICESTERSHIRE

Measham Pop Up Employment Hub Are you at a career crossroads?

Take the next step towards your future, speak to Work and Skills Leicestershire at Measham Library.

- Thursday May 5
- Thursday July 7
- From 10am-12pm

To contact Work & Skills Leicestershire, call their personal advisors on 0800 988 0308. You can also book a face-to-face appointment at a local Employment Hub. Find Work & Skills online at leicestershire.gov.uk/work-and-skills.





Funding

Warburtons Community Grants provides small grants up to £400 to support charitable organisations towards broader activities which improve Health, Place or Skills for families in their community. Find out more.



Leicestershire County Council's SHIRE Community Grants programme for 2022-23 is now open for applications.

The SHIRE Community Grant programme enables VCSE (Voluntary, Community & Social Enterprise) sector organisations to deliver community-based projects, services and activities which help to improve the lives of vulnerable people in Leicestershire. Further information, is available on the Leicestershire Communities website.

Local Policing



Officers are warning elderly residents to be vigilant when withdrawing money from cash machines.

It follows a small number of thefts from victims who have typically been approached mid-transaction and distracted or pushed to one side.

The victim's account has then had the maximum withdrawal taken in some cases. Officers are investigating the incidents but are issuing the following advice:

- Be aware of people standing too close or trying to distract you while using the machine.
- If someone is too close to you, get your card out without withdrawing any money and walk away.
- If possible use a cash machine located inside a bank's premises.
- Report suspicious activity to the police on 101.