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Weekly Newsletter w/c 8th August 2022

It's been a mixed week in many ways as it's been quiet on the meetings front but it has given me time to set up a spreadsheet with issues raised to me by Parish and Town Councils and to get details on the delegated budget that Cllr. John Horner had. I now have a full list of the various projects that John was using his budget for and a list of projects that have been put forward to Highways etc. I'll put these into one spreadsheet and circulate this week to all Parish Councils in my Division.

In addition, I have been reading a lot of minutes and terms of reference for the committees that I will be on.

- Planning Committee
- Adult Social Care Committee
- Educational attainment inquiry into disparity between areas within the County

The above will start up in earnest during September.

Living Costs:

The council provides a gateway to a range of support available in the community so people can find advice on a range of topics and services as well as tips to look after their mental and physical health at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/livingwell.

Warwickshire's partnership with Act on Energy can help people reduce energy consumption and keep costs down at home. Residents can call 0800 988 2881 or visit www.actonenergy.org.uk for free advice and information including grants, billing issues and managing debt.

The council has provided direct support to local families eligible for benefits related free school meals and those on pension credit with food and fuel vouchers and the Holiday Activity & Food (HAF) Programme is offering a free summer activity programme for benefits eligible children and young people. Advice and information to help people who may be struggling financially is available at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/facinghardship.

Warwickshire's Local Welfare Scheme can also help people in financial crisis with no other means of support. If eligibility criteria are met the scheme can provide one-off short-term support to residents towards household costs. For more information www.warwickshire.gov.uk/localwelfarescheme.

Further information about national support to eligible families and individuals is available through the Government campaign Help for Households. Information about help with housing, childcare, bills, transport and employment is online at www.gov.uk/costoflivingsupport.

This newsletter is in 3 parts

Part 1 The 123+ waste system

Part 2 is about initiatives within the County

Part 3 – Free Activities for everyone

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Part 1 - 123+

I have been out delivering food caddies to residents for the last two weeks which, funnily enough, I have really enjoyed as in many cases I've managed to talk to residents that I didn't het chance to talk to during the by election campaigning.

All residents should have received the two food caddies plus a collections calendar but if you haven't received your food caddies then please contact <u>123collections@stratford-dc.gov.uk</u> once. Please do not register more than once though. You will then be prioritised and receive your caddies. If you don't receive them before your collection day, put food waste into the green bin (if you have subscribed to the service) or in your grey bin until you do receive your caddies.

- It's as easy as 123+ with our new app! You can <u>download the relevant Council app</u> on the App Store or Google Play.
- Use the app to get bin collection reminders, find out what you can put in which bin, or report a missed collection all in one place.

Part 2 – County wide



Warwickshire is here to help you

Helping residents with living costs (Twitter and Facebook)

Warwickshire residents can find information to help them to live well from Warwickshire County Council.

Find out more about the support available: <u>https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/3169/helping</u> <u>-residents-with-living-costs-</u>



Walking and Cycling Consultation – last chance (Twitter and Facebook)

There is just over a week left for residents to give their views on important plans for walking and cycling across Warwickshire.

Take part in the consultation today: https://ask.warwickshire.gov.uk/insights-service/lcwip/



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A plastic-free future (Twitter and Facebook)

With Plastic Free July now ended, Warwickshire County Council is encouraging residents to continue to make positive steps to reduce their use of single-use plastics.

Read more:

https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/3162/be-apart-of-the-solution-beyond-plastic-free-july-2022



Levelling-up bid for Stratford (Twitter and Facebook)

A renewed bid to help fund the redevelopment of key streets in Stratford-upon-Avon has been submitted to central government following extensive public feedback on the plans.

Read more:

https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/3176/levellingup-bid-for-stratford

Respect your country parks (Twitter and Facebook)

Burton Dassett Hills Country Park continues to face damage to the park and livestock and park rangers are asking the public to take care to help preserve this and the county's other green spaces.

Read more: <u>https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/3161/warwickshire-s-country-park-rangers-plead-with-visitors-to-respect-parks</u>



Stay well this summer (Twitter and Facebook)

Looking after ourselves by being safe in the sun and focussing on our physical and mental health are all important to support our wellbeing.

Find out how you can stay well this summer: https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/31 63/staying-well-this-summer-

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Supporting young people with a learning disability (Twitter and Facebook)

Did you know that young people aged 14 or over with a learning disability are entitled to a free NHS health check every year?

Find out more:

https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/3164/ supporting-young-people-with-a-learning-disabilityto-stay-happy-and-healthy

Part 3 - Activities



Warwickshire Fire Stations Open Days (Twitter and Facebook)

The public are invited to come and get to know their local fire service and take part in a range of activities.

Find out more:

https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/317 5/open-days-for-all-taking-place-at-warwickshirefire-stations-this-summer



Breaking the News exhibition – Nuneaton Library (Twitter and Facebook)

Warwickshire County Council's Nuneaton Library and Information Centre has launched Breaking the News, an exciting pop-up exhibition that explores the role news plays in our society.

Read more:

https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/3170/l ast-chance-to-view-thought-provoking-breaking-thenews-exhibition-at-nuneaton-library-andinformation-centre

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