## **County Councillor Report: December 2021**

At the time of writing most recent district Council ward data shows there were 24 cases of Covid in Henley in Arden, 19 in Tanworth, 13 in Wootton and Snitterfield had 27. 77.9% of England over 12 years had been vaccinated with at least one dose; Warwickshire - 83.5%, Stratford on Avon - 86.5% and Henley, Claverdon & Wootton Wawen area was 88.3%.

**Warwickshire Fire & Rescue** crews have been checking cars for residents in Bedworth, to ensure they're fully prepared for the colder months. I have asked the Fire and Rescue Service if they will extend this service to Arden Division.

Mentoring young adults over mental health is a concern as suicide amongst young males is the highest category in Warwickshire. WCC has appointed Coventry and Warwickshire Mind (CWM) to manage and deliver a new and innovative peer mentoring project. The year-long project, to support young adults aged 18-25 across the region with their mental health, is funded by Coventry and Warwickshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and launches on 6 December.

**Counterfeit goods worth an estimated £100,000** and a value if genuine of more than £1 million were seized from traders operating on Furnace End market in the north of the County. If you are buying goods at car boot sales do take care as the goods might be counterfeit and unsafe.

The Warwickshire County Council Social Impact Fund (WSIF) is still accepting bids. Voluntary and community groups can submit their applications to a new £1million fund which has been launched to tackle inequality and exclusion. Telephone 01926 410410 for advice on bidding until December 30.

**WCC waste disposal team** has issued a newsletter dealing with waste at Christmas.

Speed monitoring has indicated that Henley in Arden High Street from the traffic lights to the Seaspray Restaurant can support a 20mph speed limit. Beyond the Seaspray some form of traffic calming will be needed to reduce average speeds.

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