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## County Councillors Report as at 5th June 2023

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At the recent Annual Council I was appointed to two more committees at County and I now sit on the following 5 committees:

Resources & Fire and Rescue Overview and Scrutiny, Audit and Standards, Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny, Warwickshire Local Pension Board, Regulatory.

In addition, I also sit on a taskforce that is looking at Educational Attainment and will be visiting two schools over the next few weeks, in the County, to discuss how they approach educational attainment. The aim is to see how we might improve outcomes for all children and bring those who don't appear to achieve their full potential up to the level of those that do achieve at a higher level. It is an issue that is particularly noticeable between the north and the south of the County.

Two areas I would like to highlight this month are

1. Carers week (especially young carers) – See **Carers and Health news** section
2. Councillors Grant Fund – see **HIA specific news**

If you provide help for someone, such as family, friends or neighbours, who couldn't cope without you it is important to look after your own health and wellbeing. There is health and wellbeing support available for you. For more information, visit <https://www.caringtogetherwarwickshire.org.uk>

**As always feel free to contact me at any time to discuss any issues that you feel I can help with and I will do my very best to help.**

### Henley in Arden specific news

#### Small works

If there are any other items of work outstanding, please let me know. The issues being looked at under this are below.

Ref	Date	Parish/Town	C or D	Issue	Location
8	27/07/2022	HIA	C	Speeding on Liveridge Hill - see e mail	Liveridge Hill, Henley
16	08/08/2022	HIA	C	Monkey run (Birdcage Walk) damage to surface, lectrical cable exposed - Dylan knows about this email sent to DW my PC on 8/8/2022	Birdcage walk
31	15/08/2022	HIA	C	Drains issue - water is over flowing due to blocked drains outside 185, 187, 189, 191 High Street , Henley photos available reported by Shelagh Clitherow she.teach@btinternet.com>	
65	12/12/2022	HIA	C	Road markings on disabled bay by DOLCE CAFÉ have faded and non blue badge holders are parking there...remedials are to be undertaken on the Disabled Bays and lining around that area High Street, and outside the Coop up to the Puffin Crossing.	A3400 Henley Town centre by DOLCE CAFÉ
66	03/12/2022	HIA	D	tree overhanging several properties in henley	
77	03/02/2023	HIA	C	EV Bay sign broken	High St HIA
96	19/04/2023	HIA	C	Noisy drain covers in High Street by Market cross	Market cross High St



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**Ref 8 Speeding on Liveridge Hill**

In line with my report in April I have now closed this issue as I haven't had any further representations from residents or the JPC

**Ref 16 Monkey Run**

Street lighting team have been informed by the Head of the Rights of Way Team as this appears to be their issue but there is no immediate danger to anyone apparently

**Ref 31 Drains issue**

These were jetted last October but the resident is still concerned so I have arranged for the jetting team to visit again and also provide photographic evidence of the drain prior to jetting and post jetting.

**Ref 65 Road Markings**

Due to a change in Portfolio Holder this may be signed off this month.

**Ref 66 Tree Overhanging several properties**

Outstanding

**Ref 77 EV Bay sign**

No further news since the last report. Whilst the broken sign has been taken away later this year County will look at the option of raising a traffic order to make the bays EV only. Having seen the same chargers in Coleshill they show a sign that indicates that non-EV users can use the bays. What do the Parish Council want to do. Parish Council decision needed which I will pass back to the team involved.

- Keep the signs as they are
- Have similar signs to Coleshill
- Make the bays EV use only (This will involve a Traffic Regulation Order but it will need to go to public consultation so will involve some time delay.

**Ref 96 Drain by market cross rattling**

Severn Trent have been notified as well as WCC although on Saturday I noticed that it wasn't rattling so I will double check this again this week.

**Parking Bay restriction by Sans Restaurant**

I have asked for further details from the County on this following a request from your Clerk late last week. I am awaiting a response.

**Arden SNT - latest**

Attempt Theft. Stratford Road, Henley. Several males seen trying to move a John Deere grass cutter. They were challenged and made off on foot, possibly to a vehicle parked nearby. 3.25am Wednesday 31st May. 0023 31/05/202

**Councillors Grant Fund for Waste Bin unit in the Town Centre**

I would like confirmation from the Parish Clerk that the grant funding that was allocated to Henley will be used for the purchase of the bin unit or advise me of what has happened to the funds as I will need to report back to the County on any amended use of the funds unless this has already been done.

**Councillor Grant Fund open until 18th June 2023**

This is the latest round of grants available where last time Henley applied for the waste bin (see above) The Councillors' Grant Fund provides each of Warwickshire County Council's 57 Councillors with an allocated fund of £8,000 to support small-scale projects within their area that have a positive impact on the



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wider community. The fund is aimed at projects that build community capacity and support initiatives that improve access to services; financial capability; reduce loneliness and isolation; promote equality and inclusivity; enhance the physical environment; and reduce environmental impact. The Council has reviewed and simplified the application process, particularly for smaller grant amounts of up to £350. Successful applications will also be processed promptly to ensure that the funding is distributed quickly and effectively. To help you get started, the County Council will be hosting two free online Zoom webinars on the 17th and 25th of May, both from 6.30 pm to 8 pm. During these sessions, organisation will have the opportunity to learn more about the grant fund and ask questions.

**I am very keen to get local groups to apply for these funds as quite often I end up distributing money to groups outside of the Arden Division so as to make use of the full allocation so please ask local groups to apply. More details can be found by using this link**

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4165/warwickshire-county-council-launches-councillor-grant-fund>

### Carers and Health News



#### Help for Carers of all ages

This service aims to help make a difference to the lives of all carers from the age of 6 years of age upwards. Support is currently available such as one to one calls, in person and virtual groups for young carers. Young carers and their families needing support can also have an assessment by trained advisors.

An adult carers assessment can be done for the person with a caring responsibility to identify any needs they may have. Informal carers will be able to access information and advice as well as group activities. • Provides signposting to other agencies to help support the carer's wellbeing and the person they care for. • A community-focused service helps the person with a caring responsibility have access to local agencies who can help with shopping, collecting prescriptions and other practical help. • There is support for you to manage in a crisis or if you need to unexpectedly leave the cared for

Please check the website for latest information and activities or call 0800 197 5544 Website: [www.caringtogetherwarwickshire.org.uk](http://www.caringtogetherwarwickshire.org.uk) or Email: [hello@caringtogetherwarwickshire.org.uk](mailto:hello@caringtogetherwarwickshire.org.uk) Opening times: Mon to Fri 9am to 5pm, with extended hours on Tues and Thurs till 8pm and Sat 9am to 2pm

### MMR Vaccine



Did you know that two doses of the MMR vaccine offer protection for life against measles, mumps and rubella.

Are you and your loved ones protected? If you're not sure, contact your GP about getting catch up jabs.

More info: [www.nhs.uk/MMR](http://www.nhs.uk/MMR)



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### COVID-19 update

To continue to support our residents to reduce their risk of catching and spreading COVID-19 and flu we ask you to share messages encouraging people to:

- Get vaccinated
- Wear a face covering in indoor public places
- If you feel unwell, stay at home and avoid contact with others
- Let fresh air in if you are meeting indoors

For further information, visit [www.gov.uk/guidance/people-with-symptoms-of-a-respiratory-infection-including-covid-19](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/people-with-symptoms-of-a-respiratory-infection-including-covid-19)

### Other News



Benefits-eligible parents and carers in the county to take advantage of the free school meals and enjoy the numerous benefits on offer.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4227/eligible-families-are-encouraged-to-unlock-the-benefits-of-free-school-meals>

### One small step for Big Green Week



The Big Green Week is just a week away, and we're asking you to share the small steps you've taken to live a more sustainable life. Had success in reducing your food waste? We want to know how! Managed to cut down on plastics? Tell us how we can do it too!. Have a top tip for cutting down on electricity usage? Don't keep it to yourself! Steps such as these might seem small when taken on an individual level, but if we all work together to meet the climate challenge they make a big difference.

Volunteers' Week began yesterday, and the Echills Wood Railway at Kingsbury Water Park is using the opportunity to call on railway enthusiasts to lend their time to keep the trains running.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4213/hop-on-board-volunteers-wanted-to-help-run-miniature-railway>

June is National Crime Reading Month! Warwickshire Libraries are celebrating this year with two author events - one at Leamington Library with Kenilworth author, Penny Batchelor and Coventry author, Adam Wood. And another with Derbyshire author, Tom Mead, at Nuneaton Library. Book your FREE place at: <https://eventbrite.co.uk/cc/author-events-1902229>



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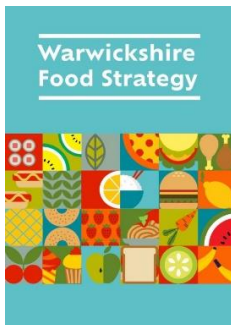
### **Nuneaton business halves energy costs (Twitter and Facebook)**

A Nuneaton leisure outlet is on target to halve its energy costs after becoming the first recipient of a Green Recovery Grant from Warwickshire County Council.

Find out more:

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4224/nuneaton-leisure-outlet-halves-energy-costs>

## **Warwickshire's Food Strategy**



Ensuring as many people as possible have access to good quality, healthy and affordable food is the central commitment of a new Warwickshire-wide Strategy.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4225/healthy-and-affordable-food-central-to-warwickshire-s-food-strategy>

## **Inclusive Careers Tour success**

The first Inclusive Careers Tours organised by Warwickshire Supported Employment Service (WSES) proved a great success as dozens of young people and adults with learning disabilities and/or autism gained behind-the-scenes insights into employment.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4222/inclusive-careers-tours-prove-an-immediate-success>

## **Neurodivergent Language Webinar**

Free webinar for families & professionals - Mon 5 Jun, 12-1pm. Hear from neurodivergent individuals and their families about their experiences. Learn tips for talking confidently about neurodiversity. Interactive session with Q&A.

Book now: [bit.ly/42hhtHc](https://bit.ly/42hhtHc)

## **King's Awards for Enterprise 2024**

His Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of Warwickshire, Tim Cox, is encouraging Warwickshire-based companies to apply for the King's Awards for Enterprise.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4228/warwickshire-s-lord-lieutenant-encourages-companies-across-the-county-to-apply-for-the-king-s-awards-for-enterprise-2024>