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County Councillors report as of 3rd March 2024

Henley on Arden Specific

Council Tax

The overall increase in Council tax will be around 4.7% (WCC 4.99%, SDC 2.99%, PCC 4.7%, Henley JPC 2.7%) and will mean a resident on a band D in Henley in Arden will see an increase in council tax due from £2171.45 to £2274.27, an increase of £102.82.

Speed monitoring – I am awaiting feedback from each of the teams in the Parishes plus I have booked a further 8 sets of data around the division which brings the number of lines laid to 40. I will aim to analyse Henley's data this week myself and send a separate report in to the JPC.

Fire stations – There is a public consultation on the future of several Fire stations, and it includes Henley Fire Station which the proposals indicate would become a "surge" station i.e., the tender would only be used if other stations cannot respond to an emergency. There is an issue with availability of the teams in some stations, but Henley has a good availability and response rate in comparison to others and it has the added responsibility of covering the motorways and neighbouring local authorities.

If you have an opinion that you want to share, then the consultation process allows this, and it is open until 10th March so please take part in the survey whether you are for keeping Henley Fire Station as it is or support the proposal.

There is one left where you can hear from the Chief Fire Officer and the Portfolio Holder and there will be time to ask questions.

The remaining public meeting is -

Shipston on Stour	5 March 2024	The Townsend Hall	Sheep Street, Shipston on Stour, CV36 4AE
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You do need to book a ticket to attend, and this can be done by pasting the link below into your browser

[Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service Events | Eventbrite](#)

If you prefer you can also call 01926 410410 to book a ticket. **There is a link further down to the Resourcing to Risk survey.**

Flooding of homes – potential grants available - A reminder - You will be aware that Warwickshire is one of eight local authorities in the country which received notification from government of potential financial support for residents, business owners and farmers that have been affected by flooding. However, critical to our eligibility for releasing this funding is the need to meet the 50 flooded properties threshold set out in the funding criteria. This requires that at least 50 properties have been confirmed as having been flooded. Can I please ask that if you are aware of any residents in your Parish that have been affected by the flooding that you encourage them to make contact with our Flood Risk Management Team so that they can be confirmed, and potential funding can be released. They can do this really simply through the Council's website at: [Flood Risk Management – Warwickshire County Council](#) Alternatively email the team with the details and we will get someone to drop a leaflet off to them

WW Small works - Let me know if you have any small roadworks, white lining, or Rights of Way issues I will investigate these for you and get a quote for any works that need to be conducted. Potholes should be reported through the directly on the WCC website <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4085/warwickshire-county-council-encourages-residents-to-report-road-issues>

To report a Highway fault, use this link <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/reportaproblem>



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Ref	Date	Parish/Town	C or D	Issue	Action 1	Action 2
23	15/08/2022	HIA	C	20 mph speed limit - read documentation on this and see of Station Rd and continuation is covered	22/10/2022 GS says that it could be achieved with placing additional signs before Brook End Drive on the B4189 and near to Proce Harry Rd and Arden Rd. Contact George Westbury and Chris Round after checking the Henely 20 is plenty document	1/11/2022 - NFA as the project team would presumably have this covered. 02/09/2023 yellow lines down Station Rd - update needed as GS indicates that it will be signed off on 07/09/2023 29/01/2024 Lines still not painted
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.	12/12/2022 Dylan notified 08/02/2023 All markings between Co op and Costa Coffee plus School lane will be renewed where needed - order placed with die crew (Candy) - job is under Stratford remedials	30/04/2023 GS chasing this 19/06/2023 Done some but not all - done by ice cream shop - by end of July/August per GS 18/07/2023 all lining except by ice cream shop which will be picked up when 20mph scheme 13/11/2023 DW - when the surface dressing is done the street the lining will be done
150	08/08/2023	HIA		Railings in front of the Co Op	17/08/2023 This would limit the possibility of residents and children crossing the road except by the lights plus it will deter motorists from parking - GS/DW - what are the implications and could a scheme be drawn up. Effectively the PC want black railings - ,ockup photos available	18/01/2024 team set up to look at this and I have a respsinse from GS on the orcalities of what is being suggested.
179	18/10/2023	HIA		Ev Chargers request by Bryn	18/10/2023 Note sent to Bryn	
185	20/10/2023	HIA		Flood Teamn set up	13/11/2023 wjole of HIA to be jetted 05/12/2023 - camaera surveyrepairs to gullies that could be lifted 29/01/2024 DW says it might be soonish 29/01/2024 - DW will walk Back Lane and by the golf club with me to talk about resolutions to issues 30/01/2024 - Angela Lloyd has been emailed about frequency of seeping roads from Liveridge Hill to high Street	
207	14/12/2023	HIA		State of road and surface dressing	14/12/2023 DW no defects that reach our intervention levels, there is minor surface wear in areas, but nothing dangerous requiring immediate attention. I have suggested High Street for a future surface dressing scheme as the majority is wearing in areas, please note there are no guarantees with this but it will be looked at by our delivery team.	01/03/2024 this year?
282	29/02/2024	HIA		Bollards opposite the Co op on the southbound sie , corner of Beaudert Lane have been knocked dow, pavioirs raised, urgent	01/03/2024 DW notified at our regular meeting	

Budget – There is no doubt that finances remain very tight, but the good news is that both Warwickshire County Council and Stratford District Council are stable and have enough reserves for the next 5 years, but savings must be made, which will be no small task. Officers are confident that they can be achieved and at this point in time there are no plans to withdraw or reduce services in any area, only a desire to get better value for money.

Warwickshire County Council has set its budget for 2024/25 and its medium-term financial strategy. Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4984/council-sets-budget-to-deliver-for-warwickshire>

In setting its budget and medium-term financial strategy, the Council will continue to protect valued services for those most in need and provide universal services for all, while investing in key priorities. **"This does involve making some savings and difficult choices. But we plan robustly, and this means we are better placed than many councils."**

"Our responsible financial management means we can make substantial capital investment such as additional school places to improve the life chances of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities."

Areas for investment - The Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy sets out several areas for investment over the next five years, this includes:

- a key priority to bring forward business cases for significant capital investment in Special Educational Needs and Disabilities to increase substantially the amount of resource provision available in mainstream schools, and further capital investment from Council funds to provide new school places in the next five years.
- £28.3m to protect our elderly citizens and vulnerable adults to fund additional demand and manage the cost of placements whilst continuing to make progress on our vision of greater integration between health and social care and the adult social care reform agenda.



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- £8.3m in our children's social care services, including investment of £4.9m for the increased cost and demand for children's placements and a further £2m support until our own children's homes are fully operational.
- £8.9m invested in home to school transport, particularly to support children and young people with special educational needs, to ensure we continue to provide services in line with our policy whilst being able to respond to the increasing demand and cost of the service.
- £1.2m to meet the increased capacity in our support services to help meet the demand pressures in children and families, education, and adult social care; and
- £0.5 million to support our successful network of Community Pantries to move to a more sustainable long-term delivery model.

Budget reductions - In order to deliver value for money for the taxpayers of Warwickshire and meet the changing needs of its communities, the Council will additionally deliver £16.2 million of budget reductions in 2024/25, increasing to £64 million by 2029, through better procurement, improvements in efficiency, increased income and delivering reductions in demand. This builds on the £15.158 million savings that the council planned to deliver in 2023/24 and £122 million over the last 10 years. View the webcast of the full Council meeting and Information and documents from the meeting [here](#). Anyone struggling to pay their council tax is advised to contact their local District or Borough Council who can advise whether they are eligible for a discount or exemption. **Further advice about local and national support available for people struggling to manage increased household costs can be found at www.costoflivingwarwickshire.co.uk**

Can you suggest a location for electric vehicle charging points in Warwickshire? - Warwickshire residents are being encouraged to suggest possible locations for future electric vehicle charging points in the county. Last year, Warwickshire County Council was allocated £3.3m from the first round of the government's Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) Capital Fund. Based on current estimates, this funding will allow for the delivery of up to 1,400 charging sockets at both on-street and in car park locations. To deliver on this, residents are being asked to nominate possible locations which would benefit from an electric vehicle charging point. Anyone can make a location suggestion by visiting [Request a new electric charging point - Warwickshire County Council](#) or calling 01926 410 410. The Council is particularly interested in hearing about those areas where there is a high demand for electric vehicle charging, such as:

- Residential streets with no off-street parking
- Public car parks
- Rural locations.

The EV pages of the Warwickshire County Council website can be found here with lots of useful information: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/electric-vehicles>. Find out more about LEVI Tranche 1 Funding here: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4512/huge-boost-for-electric-vehicle-charging-in-warwickshire->. The location of all available charge points in Warwickshire and beyond is available on: **[Zap Map](#)**

Rights of Way survey – The county Council are keen to get you views on the footpaths and rights of way around us whether you walk them or not. If you do walk them, we want to know what is good, what could be improved and if you don't, why not? Further details can be found by dropping the following into your browser.

<https://ask.warwickshire.gov.uk/>

This consultation will close on Sunday 7 April 2024.

Police news: The nearest recorded incident over the last week is:

ULLENHALL • Suspicious Circumstances. Church Road. Vehicle similar to a Black Renault Meganne hatchback with tinted windows seen parked on private drive. Caller concerned for its motives to be there. 10.30am Friday 1st



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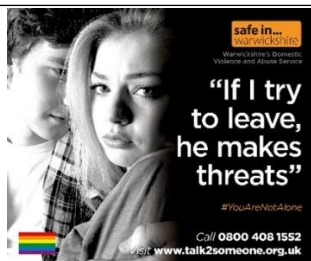
March. 0057 03/03/2024 • Attempt Burglary. White Pump Lane. Following an alarm activation, a door lock to the premises was found damaged. Entry was not gained. 11.39pm Saturday 24th February. 0149 28/02/2024

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 absolute best to help.

Other County Wide news

Fire safety advice video

Officers from Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service are sharing fire safety tips and advice with the community in a series of Q&A videos. Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/5010/new-video-campaign-offers-practical-fire-safety-advice-to-warwickshire-residents>



No More Week 2024

Next week WCC will be signposting to help for victim-survivors of #DomesticAbuse and #SexualViolence as part of @UKSAYSNOMORE . Follow the conversation and for help and support go to www.talk2someone.org.uk

In an emergency dial 999. #YouAreNotAlone 🇬🇧



Assistive technology aids

Staying as independent as possible helps people to be safe and healthy, and there is a range assistive technology available to support people, including self-help devices, equipment, and solutions.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/5012/assisting-people-to-remain-safe-healthy-and-independent>

Warwickshire Business Ready Programme

A leading business support scheme which helps innovative businesses access finance, mentoring, and more will continue after a contract award by Warwickshire County Council.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/5014/business-ready-programme-to-continue>

Foster Carer wins on Saturday Night Takeaway (X and Facebook)

Warwickshire County Council's Foster Carer of the Year 2022, Andrea, received an unexpected and heartwarming surprise on Ant and Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/5016/warwickshire-foster-carer-andrea-wins-getaway-on-saturday-night-takeaway->



Supported Internships twilight event

Taking place on Thursday 14 March, 3pm to 7pm at Eliot Park Innovation Centre in Nuneaton, WCC's Supported Internships Fair will give a first look at new guidance developed to provide improved information on supported internships.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/5020/young-people-their-families-local-businesses-and-education-providers-invited-to-learn-about-supported-internships-at-special-twilight-event>



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Sustainable Warwickshire Podcast - Episode 11



In the latest Sustainable Warwickshire Podcast, members of Warwickshire's Youth Council are encouraging other young people in the county to speak up about climate change and convince others to take action to reduce their carbon emissions. Listen here:

<https://sustainablewarwickshire.podbean.com/e/youth-perspectives-on-climate-change/>



Secondary School Offer Day 2024 (X and Facebook)

Friday 1 March is the day you find out which secondary school your child has been offered. The details will be sent to you by email, or by letter if you applied by post.

You can also check the parent portal any time: www.warwickshire.gov.uk/parentportalapplications



Investment Award for Coventry and Warwickshire

The Coventry and Warwickshire area has again been recognised in an annual international award that recognises foreign investment strategy and economic potential. Find out more:

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/5023/investment-award-lands-in-coventry-and-warwickshire>

Dementia support	<p>Dementia Connect in Warwickshire can support people with dementia and people caring for those with dementia.</p> <p>If you care for a person with dementia, the service is here to help you understand how dementia may affect your loved one and how you can help and support them.</p> <p>For more information and support, call 0333 150 3456 or visit https://dementia.warwickshire.gov.uk/</p> <p>Learn more: https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4991/supporting-people-with-dementia-to-remain-as-independent-as-possible-</p>	
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Suicide prevention	<p>If you, or someone you know, is having thoughts of suicide or significant self-harm, help and support is available now. Visit dearlife.org.uk where you will find mental health and suicide prevention information and advice.</p> <p>For urgent support call 111.</p> <p>If there is immediate risk to life, call 999.</p>	 H6
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Warwickshire Legal Services trainee solicitors

There's still time for aspiring trainee solicitors to apply to join the award-winning, motivated, and nationally recognised team at Warwickshire Legal Services.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/5007/there-s-still-time-to-apply-for-trainee-solicitor-opportunity-at-warwickshire-legal-services>



Evening bus services in Warwickshire

Planning an evening out?

Think Warwickshire Buses for your next night out across the county and beyond.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/5006/your-night-out-sorted-thanks-to-warwickshire-buses>



Love Your Bump

Stopping smoking can be a challenge, but when a new baby is due, quitting smoking is one of the best things you can do as a family to give baby a healthy start in life.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/5005/love-your-bump-helping-mum-and-bump-to-be-smokefree>