

RUSHCLIFFE BOROUGH COUNCIL'S TOWN AND PARISH UPDATE

Tuesday September 10, 2019

Welcome!

Welcome to Rushcliffe Borough Council's new fortnightly Town and Parish Update to inform you further on Council services, news and signposts to local initiatives and events.

This newsletter is being distributed to all Parish and Town clerks and any other community groups who request the update. Please let us know of any other party who you feel would benefit from receiving it.

It follows the latest Town and Parish Forum here at the Council in July that highlighted we're looking to maintain and increase communications with communities across the Borough, in addition to our current channels.

Please use any of the content as you wish, or if you require more information or different images to circulate more widely please get in touch at media@rushcliffe.gov.uk or on 0115 914 8555.

Naturally we wish to make this update as useful as possible for you and your communities, so please feedback to us if the content, format and style works for you.

Equally, if you have events or updates you wish to publicise to other communities in the Borough, please get in touch.

The editorial deadline is 5pm on Mondays before publication on Tuesdays and for the rest of 2019, we are set to bring you updates on September 24, October 8 and 22, November 5 and 19 and December 3 and 17.

This update is aimed to be impartial and any councillors or individuals featured are with the sole intention to inform and educate. Thanks for taking the time to read, we hope you find it a useful resource.

Nominate your community heroes for a Celebrating Rushcliffe award!



Residents and groups are being asked to acknowledge their unsung community, sporting, business and health heroes in our community accolades, the Celebrating Rushcliffe Awards.

In conjunction with media partner West Bridgford Wire, it will celebrate the Borough's wonderful volunteers, businesses, clubs, organisations, environmentalists, sports teams and athletes and the best of its health and wellbeing and food and drink sectors.

Nominations for the 11 awards are now open at bit.ly/CRA2019 until Monday October 7.

Winners will be announced and celebrated in a ceremony at the Becket School in West Bridgford on Wednesday November 20.

Wish to ask a question on Council services?



Wish to ask Full Council a question on the services we provide?

Then submit a Citizen's Question here bit.ly/2Hv7yY9 before 5pm this Friday, September 13.

It will then be raised at their meeting next week on Thursday September 19.

Council meetings

Our Cabinet meet this evening (Tuesday September 10) and you can view the papers and agenda [here](#).

Our Planning Committee meet this Thursday, September 12, you can view the papers and agenda [here](#).

Apply for free trees until September 30



Over 2,000 residents have now applied to make their properties greener by applying for free trees for their homes and communities within the Borough.

That is three times the number who registered an interest in the initiative in 2018, as householders apply for up to two Crab Apple and Rowan trees for their homes.

Householders can still apply by visiting www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/RushcliffeFreeTrees2019 and submitting an application before Monday 30 September.

There is also an opportunity for residents to join our tree warden scheme, to protect and help trees to flourish in our towns and villages, email media@rushcliffe.gov.uk to find out more.

Successful applicants will be able to collect their trees in November, with an email confirming collection details next month.

Ruddington schools create permanent Walking Bus initiative to combat air pollution



Two Ruddington schools have made a trial 'Walking Bus' initiative permanent as part to help reduce air pollution in the village and encourage local children to exercise more.

We are working with NHS Rushcliffe Clinical Commissioning Group and local community group Ruddington Mums on the programme that could now be replicated in other areas of the Borough.

Children from the James Peacock Infant and Nursery School and St Peter's Junior School took part in their first 'Walking Bus' in June and now stroll to their

respective schools chaperoned by parents along a set route each schoolday.

Those interested in setting up a 'Walking Bus' in their town or village should email our Health Development Officer Alex Julian ajulian@rushcliffe.gov.uk

Expressions of interest invited for management or ownership of Lutterell Hall



Community groups or organisations are being invited to submit expressions of interest in the management and long-term lease or ownership of Lutterell Hall in West Bridgford.

We are encouraging parties to complete an application at www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/lutterellhall by Friday November 29 to establish the level of community group interest in running the facility.

In June our Cabinet agreed that expressions of interest for the hall were to be invited from third parties at the same time that Nottinghamshire Police

market the site and their adjacent plot on Bridgford Road, which is expected in the coming weeks.

The Cabinet will consider any expressions of interest in early 2020 that then can be appraised alongside the options for the hall.

A public consultation is also set to be launched later this year for all stakeholders to give their views on the facility before options are assessed.

Viewings are available by emailing lutterellhall@rushcliffe.gov.uk or calling 0115 981 9911 when advice on any initial application can also be discussed.

Hickling Scarecrow Weekend just days away



Hickling's annual Scarecrow Weekend returns this weekend, Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 September, with 'animation' the theme for this year's scarecrows.

Last year residents amazed the crowds with phenomenal creations, including Yoda from Star Wars and Goldilocks' three bears.

Programmes, competition sheets and

maps will be available across the weekend for £2 and this year's chosen charity is the Neo-Natal Intensive Care Baby Unit at the QMC, as well as local village groups.

Street entertainment, craft stalls and fair rides will also be on offer from 10am to 5pm each day and the Sunday Chariot race will take place at 3pm.

Questions on recycling? Check our FAQs



Thanks to residents, we continue to achieve the highest recycling rate in the County, with 48% of items recycled in blue bins and at our bring sites.

We're keen though everyone understands why we choose to recycle the way we do, so please check our Frequently Asked Questions for more information: <https://bit.ly/2kzD13b>

For any other recycling or bin collection queries please email customerservices@rushcliffe.gov.uk or call 0115 914 8555.

Shop front funding still available



Business owners across the Borough can apply for our Shop Front Improvement Grant, which assists businesses to match contributions to improvements, up to the value of £5,000.

Recipients of the grant have included include Cut N Curl in East Leake, Café Piano in Radcliffe on Trent and Scissor Happy in Bingham.

White Rabbit Teahouse in West Bridgford also benefited, using artificial flowers to create a floral frontage for their Tudor Square property.

Find out more about eligibility here: <https://bit.ly/2kqarkU>

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