

# RUSHCLIFFE BOROUGH COUNCIL'S TOWN AND PARISH UPDATE

**Tuesday November 19, 2019**

## Over 5,000 free trees to be distributed over the coming weeks



We're set to distribute over 5,000 free trees to householders and parishes across Rushcliffe in the coming weeks after thousands responded to our environmental campaign.

The summer months saw over 2,500 households successfully apply for up to two free Crab Apple or Rowan trees and numerous parishes for up to 10 trees.

Successful applicants have now been contacted on when and where the trees will be available for

collection in late November and early December as follows:

- Bingham Buttercross market place, NG13 8AN  
Saturday 23 November, 9am – 12 noon
- Rushcliffe Arena, West Bridgford, NG2 7YG  
Sunday 1 December, 9am – 12 noon
- East Leake Parish Council car park, 45 Main Street, East Leake, LE12 6PF Saturday 7  
December, 9am – 12 noon

The initiative forms part of our strategy to provide further sustainable environments across our communities with the chosen tree species native to the Borough.

## Streetwise and depot teams respond during localised flooding



Our Streetwise and depot teams have been thanked for their swift response during last week's localised flooding across the Borough.

They dealt with a large number of requests to assist residents with sandbags and distributed over 2,600 to 80 locations.

A resident on Twitter said: "Many, many thanks to you and the Streetwise team for your very rapid response today. Great work by all."

Another resident praised our Customer Services team

during the incident.

They said: "I called twice and the Customer Service team were professional and very helpful and kind. The Streetwise guys were kind, considerate and quick to deliver."

Our Housing team also quickly intervened to find bed and breakfast accommodation for three families who needed to be evacuated from their homes in Tollerton. In total 15 properties required the occupants to move out temporarily.

If residents in your parishes require flood recovery support please ask them to call either our Customer Services team on 0115 981 9911 or out of hours on 0115 981 1143. More information also available at [www.rushcliffe.gov.uk](http://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk)

## **Plans for Bingham's new leisure facilities go on display to the community**



Plans for Bingham's potential new leisure facilities have gone on display to the community.

Specialist consultants have worked with us to produce the designs for the new facility in line with the Bingham Masterplan that shows artists' impressions for the sports element of the Bingham Hub.

The displays are now on view at Bingham Leisure Centre, the town's library at Eaton Place and at Bingham Town Council's offices on Church Street during their respective opening hours until Friday November 29.

They highlight the new Chapel Lane site in the town could provide a 25 metre six lane swimming pool with spectator seating and teaching pool, fitness centre, spin and exercise studios, cafe and a community hall with capacity of 300.

A comprehensive needs assessment has been carried out and sports clubs currently using the leisure centre were consulted to help identify demand and requirements for the new facility, that could open by January 2022.

Toot Hill School and us are working together to ensure the existing leisure centre site continues to provide outdoor facilities, including the athletics track and hockey pitch, indoor sports halls and courts.

The Hub will more widely offer a community, office and leisure development consistent with the Bingham Growth Board's aspirations to develop the site as part of a key gateway between the current town centre and the growth of its housing developments to the north.

In February our Cabinet approved recommendations to draw up plans for the facility that could create up to 90 jobs.

Bingham Town Council are being consulted on the requirements for the community hall and final detailed designs of all aspects of the new facility are being reviewed that could lead to an application for planning permission in the coming weeks.

## Register for a postal vote to avoid a chilly trip to a polling station



We're advising residents to apply for a postal vote to avoid a journey to a polling station in potential chilly weather on General Election day.

With winter underway and just a handful of daylight hours on polling day on December 12, compared with other times of the year, we're encouraging voters to make the switch to a postal vote.

Residents need to apply by 5pm on Tuesday 26 November to do so and can complete this easily online here: <https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/voter/how-cast-your-vote/voting-post> or request a form by writing to: Elections, Rushcliffe Borough Council, Rugby Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7YG.

Completed forms can be scanned and emailed to [elections@rushcliffe.gov.uk](mailto:elections@rushcliffe.gov.uk)

Those not registered to vote are encouraged to do so at [www.gov.uk/register-to-vote](http://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote) so they can vote in the Rushcliffe or Newark constituencies on the day. This deadline is the same day but slightly later at midnight on November 26.

## West Bridgford's Christmas Lights Switch On this Saturday!



West Bridgford's annual Christmas Lights Switch On is less than week away on Saturday November 23!

Our Mayor Cllr Christine Jeffreys will launch the annual festive lights followed by a spectacular fireworks show to complete the big switch on at 5pm in association with sponsors Rushcliffe Homework and media partner West Bridgford Wire.

Bridgford Road, Central Avenue and Gordon Road will be illuminated by thousands of sparkling lights for shoppers to enjoy between November and January.

From 10am crowds can expect seasonal entertainment in the lead up to the Lights Switch On, including street theatre performances, local singers and a Christmas Market on the croquet lawn will offer a host of festive gifts, crafts, novelties and food.

Then on Gordon Road and Gordon Square Trent Bridge Community Trust's YouNG Market will welcome event goers from 12pm, with stalls exclusively hosted by local young entrepreneurs.

They will offer a range of homemade Christmas decorations and crafts through to a chance for little ones to make their own snowflakes.

Here, there will also be the opportunity to meet Santa Claus as he stops off at his Gordon Road grotto from 12.30pm to 2pm and 3pm to 4pm, visit a Frozen themed snowflake trail and at 4pm, view a nativity hosted by Stage Coach.

## Christmas events across the Borough

Details for festive lights switch-ons and events across the Borough have now been confirmed. If you wish to publicise your event please email [media@rushcliffe.gov.uk](mailto:media@rushcliffe.gov.uk)

### East Leake



East Leake's wonderful Christmas Lights switch on takes place on Saturday November 30.

The programme includes:

- 11am - 4pm craft fair in the village hall
- 2.30pm-3.15pm registration for Santa fun run at Physio Needs
- 3.30pm Santa fun run around Meadow Park
- 4pm Village centre festivities, Charnwood Concert band,

village choirs, carol singing, hot drinks and food, live nativity  
4.50pm arrival of Father Christmas  
4.55pm presentation of 2019 East Leake Community Award  
5pm countdown to switch on!

Village centre festivities continue after the programme with music and choirs and a Father Christmas photo opportunity.

### Cotgrave

The festivities take place on Friday November 29 at Cotgrave Shopping Centre, Candelby Lane from 3pm to 5.30pm. Entertainments will include a Santa's Grotto, hot food and drinks, craft and tombola stalls, choirs from local schools, entertainers and fair rides and a competition and prize giving.

### Bingham

The town's Christmas Lights will be switched on in conjunction with a Christmas Market and late night shopping on Friday November 29 from 5pm to 8pm.

A display of 80 Christmas trees will lighten up the parish church of St Mary and All Saints, from Thursday 5 December until Sunday 8 December.

The Vale Voices Community Choir will be present on Saturday December 7 to further entertain those visiting the church and there will also be a raffle with over thirty prizes drawn at 4.30pm on the Sunday before a Carol Service takes place at 6.30pm.

### Ruddington



Ruddington's Christmas Fayre comes to the village on Saturday December 7 from 12 noon to 5pm.

It follows the Ruddington Village Market in the morning from 9am and the High Street will be closed to traffic and have a double marquee with traders including handmade jewellery, crafts and willow products, plus charity stalls run by the Mustard Seed Project and the Royal British Legion.

There will also be lots of carol singing, performances from local choirs and food and drink on offer, along with the popular fair rides at the top of the High Street.

St Peter's Rooms will host a number of stalls including jewellery, handmade gifts, cards and tombolas, along with Marvo the Magician and the ever popular Santa's Grotto. There'll also be a number of hot food options available.

Meanwhile, St Peter's Church will have lots of retail stalls offering a great variety of gifts, Christmas decorations, cards, wildlife photography and much more.

The day will draw to a close with a visit from Santa, who'll be driving around the village on his sleigh, and the Christmas tree lights switch-on at St Peter's Church.

## Have your say on future use of Lutterell Hall



Community groups and residents have 10 days left to give their views on the future use of Lutterell Hall until November 29.

We are encouraging all to complete a consultation on the West Bridgford facility at <https://bit.ly/2OefiM0> or in person at Rushcliffe Community Contact Centre, Rushcliffe Arena or at Lutterell Hall when using the hall by Friday November 29 before options are assessed next year.

Expressions of interest are also still invited to establish the level of community group interest in running the facility.

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

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