

County Councillor Update 17th January 2022

As we have reached Blue Monday I encourage you to read the wellbeing initiatives included below on this glorious, if chilly, Monday morning.

Covid19

INFECTION RATES REMAIN V HIGH

The rate of infections across the district has decreased to 1469/100,000, the over 60's rate has decreased to 812/100,000 (818 last week) with 345 cases over the last seven days. Other districts rates in Warwickshire, for all ages, are Nuneaton & Bedworth 2385/100,000, North Warwickshire 2071/100,000, Warwick 1453/100,000 and Rugby 2009/100,000. Warwickshire overall has 1839/100,000. England 1695/100,000.

HOWEVER WE MUST NOT BE COMPLACENT – IRRESPECTIVE WHETHER WE HAVE 70 OR 1700 CASES per 100,000 we must all STILL be sensible and follow guidance etc,

There have been two further Covid related deaths since last week across Stratford District (total now 158 from the start of this second wave (28th August 2020) 37 occurring in care homes, 104 in hospital, 3 in a hospice and 13 at home and one in a communal establishment, out of a total of 1,920 all cause deaths in the district for this new second wave period.

The cumulative total of deaths across Warwickshire for Wave 2 increased by 9 since my last report to 820 with a total of 8,118 all cause deaths. The cumulative total of Covid-19 deaths in Stratford district is 326 since the start of the pandemic and in Warwickshire 1,421 (12,494 total deaths).

New Year's Honours 2022



The extraordinary achievements of ten people living in Warwickshire have been recognised in the Queen's New Year's Honours List.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2685/extraordinary-warwickshire-people-on-the-new-year-s-honours-list-2022>

Education funding to support mental health



Warwickshire education settings are being invited by Warwickshire County Council to apply for funding to support the mental health and wellbeing of Warwickshire's children and young people.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2686/warwickshire-education-settings-are-invited-to-apply-for-funding-to-support-mental-health>

Warwickshire House Project in 2022



Over the past year, Warwickshire House Project has continued to support young people who are leaving care across the county to gain independence and move into a property of their own.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2689/warwickshire-house-project-looks-forward-to-an-exciting-2022-supporting-the-county-s-care-leavers>

Councillor Grant Scheme 2021/22 Please note that in my first round I was over subscribed and allocated all of my funds to ensure that each application was supported as funds allowed. **Therefore there is no second round for my Cllr Grants.**

WFRS local food bank partnership



Families in Warwickshire received some extra Christmas cheer over the festive season, thanks to the delivery of Christmas hampers, aided along the way by Warwickshire Fire & Rescue Service.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2690/warwickshire-fire-rescue-continue-successful-partnership-with-local-food-bank>

Living well for longer



Susan's got her yoga mat... Have you?

By staying active and mobile, you can help yourself to live longer, live well and feel fantastic!

For more tips, visit <http://warwickshire.gov.uk/livingwell>

Warm and well this winter



During spells of cold weather, it's important to try and keep warm.

Here are some tips:

1. Keep moving if you can, get up and walk around every hour

2. Wear a few layers of clothing, rather than one big layer
3. Have warm drinks and meals

Keep yourself Warm and Well in Warwickshire

Keep yourself warm and well in Warwickshire this winter by following our Winter Warmth Checklist at <https://api.warwickshire.gov.uk/documents/WCCC-630-883>

A free advice line is also available at 0800 988 2881.

Brew Monday

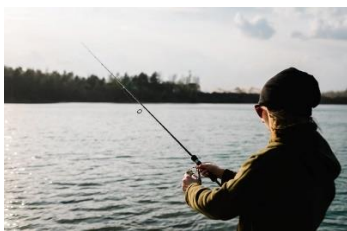


The middle of January can be challenging for many people, with the cold winter weather prevailing, and the festive period over, some people may need extra support for their mental health and wellbeing.

Find out how Warwickshire County Council aims to help:

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2695/brew-monday-a-cuppa-and-catch-up-for-your-wellbeing>

Get Fishing For Wellbeing



Warwickshire County Council's Kingsbury Water Park is working in partnership with the Angling Trust to encourage residents to connect with nature and improve their wellbeing with the 'Get Fishing for Wellbeing' initiative.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2694/get-fishing-for-wellbeing>

Wellesbourne Area Chairs Meetings.

On Feb 9th 6-7 pm via zoom

I will hold our first Wellesbourne Area Chairs meeting.

This is an opportunity for Parish Council Chairs to meet with myself and Graham Stanley The Minor Works Team Leader WCC. It is an opportunity to discuss any concerns Parish Councils might have around road safety or highway maintenance within their parish. It will also be an opportunity for Parish Chairs to bid for schemes which I might be able to support through my delegated Cllr Budget.

Parish Chairs will be emailed an invitation.

Missed bins - I'm still getting details of the odd 1 or 2 that has not been collected. Contacts are streetscene@stratford-dc.gov.uk or Telephone: 01789 260616

<https://www.stratford.gov.uk/online-forms/missed-bin-report-form.cfm?fbclid=IwAR3vkf03zQgXUsEHH04ODeqfid1b1msbwpVg8DG6nQn47HoAcwmw5LL9Joc>

Reporting out of hours highways issues can be challenging, the best number for that is 01926 415000.

streetlighting@warwickshire.gov.uk or 01926 412515 (not all are currently owned by WCC – some owned by town or parish council.)

<https://www.fixmystreet.com/reports/Warwickshire>

It is worth noting for future reference that anything immediately dangerous on the highway should be reported direct to the Police on 999, which is the same process for any pressing issue Out of Hours.

During normal office hours - 8:30am to 4:30pm, WCC call centre is best on 01926 412515

Wishing you a safe and happy week.

Penny-Anne O'Donnell

Wellesbourne Division& SEN Cabinet Support.

Please email me with any enquiries as I am waiting for a replacement phone

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