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Council takes steps to achieve a balanced budget

Northamptonshire County Council is set to use its general and earmarked reserves in order to achieve a balanced budget this financial year.

This follows a decision by the authority to postpone the sale and lease back of its headquarters, One Angel Square, due to the likelihood of local government reform in Northamptonshire following the Best Value Inspection report and to seek further financial and legal advice about the use of capital receipts.

The County Council would therefore face a forecast overspend

of £16.7m for the end of the financial year without the use of its reserves to offset the overspend, which is primarily due to unprecedented demand pressures for adult social care services.

These reserves would need to be replenished in 2018/19 and so further savings will need to be identified within the new financial year.

The County Council currently has

£12m in its general reserves and £4.9m in its earmarked reserves, money which is set aside for capital projects.

Acting Council Leader, Cllr Matthew Golby said: "The current financial climate facing Northamptonshire County Council is exceptionally difficult. Government funding reductions since 2010, the cap on increasing council tax and the increasing cost and demand for social care services mean our financial challenge has never been greater.

"Since 2010 we have worked hard to find savings of £376m and a further £105m will be needed between now and 2022. The Section 114 notice spending controls relating to all but safeguarding and statutory services remain in place, but the pressures in adult social care in particular mean delivering a balanced budget is becoming extremely challenging.

"We have taken the decision to postpone the sale of One Angel Square as the Best Value Inspection report and the Secretary of State's 'minded-to' decision this week suggest the strong likelihood that there will be a reorganisation of local government in the county. Following ongoing discussions with our auditors, we are also keen to seek further clarity around the flexible use of capital receipts.

"Therefore, given the fact it is not an option for us to fail to deliver a balanced budget by the end of the financial year, we are looking to make the difficult decision to use our general and earmarked reserves to negate the forecast overspend.

"This would effectively exhaust our reserves and as such really is a last resort option. It is now the only option available to us. We have communicated directly to government about this as part of our ongoing discussions about our situation."

Cabinet will discuss the latest quarterly revenue finance report next month.

In Brief

Convenience shop burglary in Finedon

Police are appealing for witnesses following a burglary at Premier Stores on Irthlingborough Rd in Finedon, at 2.50am on Wednesday 4th April. The offenders removed the cash machine, which they placed into a dark-coloured Audi before making off.

If you have any information, call Northamptonshire Police (101) or contact Crimestoppers on 0800 555111. Incident No. 18000149946

A new venture

The Rotary Club of Thrapston & Raunds intends to establish a satellite club with the aim of attracting younger men and women from the local community, around 25-50 years of age, who are public spirited and would like to help others.

In order that this venture can be progressed an initial exploratory meeting will be held on Monday 30th April at the Bridge Hotel, Thrapston, at 7.30pm. If you wish to be involved contact Robert Palmer on 01933 461160 or joypalmer@talktalk.net



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Editor's notes

While not deluding ourselves that we have any great influence over these matters, it's interesting to find that the Government is now working with the United Nations to determine whether some car headlights are too bright! We raised this issue back in November and, following complaints from drivers, vehicle manufacturers could face new limits on the type and power of headlights they fit.

A United Nations Working Party, of which the UK is a member, is looking at headlight glare in response to growing public concerns. According to the RAC survey, 15 per cent of UK drivers say they have suffered a near miss after being dazzled by modern car headlights; of those who said they regularly get dazzled by oncoming car lights, most of them said it takes up to five seconds to see normally again. At 60mph, this can mean they are unable to see properly for up to 134 metres. We look forward to seeing the outcome of the UN Working Party's deliberations, hopefully later this month.

There was yet another serious collision on the A605, apparently involving three cars, earlier this week causing the closure of the road between Warmington and Oundle. The crash, which happened near the Church Street roundabout, involved a Ford Fiesta, travelling north, and a Renault Scenic as well as a Honda CRV travelling in the opposite direction. The driver of the Ford Fiesta, a 23-year-old man, died at the scene while

five occupants of the Honda were taken to Peterborough Hospital with serious injuries, in one case potentially life-threatening; the two occupants of the Renault were not injured. The number of lives lost on this stretch of road over the past year or so has reached a ludicrously high level. Surely this latest sad loss of life should prompt a review of speed limits and other road safety issues in the area.

We were previously told that Northamptonshire County Council planned to sell its new One Angel Square headquarters by the end of the financial year to balance its books. However, it now appears that the authority will use all its financial reserves to make up a £16.7m shortfall in its finances. The building, which opened last year at a cost of some £53m, was supposed to save money by closing 12 other Council offices and bringing them under one roof. As recently as February the Council decided to sell the office complex as freehold and then lease it back for a period of 25 years or more. The Council said it has decided to delay the sale 'due to the likelihood of local government reform'; it added that the reserves would need to be replenished in 2018/19 meaning further savings will need to be identified. The 'reform' in question seems likely to involve our local Councils being pared back and then run by Commissioners appointed by the Secretary of State. Local MP Peter Bone says it is now important to "look to the future", adding that any new structure must be driven locally.



Oundle Neighbourhood Plan

The Oundle Neighbourhood Plan is finally moving towards official public consultation (Regulation 14). This process commences on 9th April, followed by a formal public meeting in the town's Queen Victoria Hall starting promptly at 7.30pm on Monday 16th April. The meeting will provide another opportunity for residents to find out more about what the plan contains and engage with the subsequent six-week consultation period. There will be further opportunities to comment on the Plan and details of the whole process leading to a Referendum later in the year can be found on the Council's website at <http://www.oundle.gov.uk/the-plan.html>

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Genealogy jottings

Recently, I have been researching a person's tree that their family are putting together as a birthday surprise. One of the names that I discovered was mentioned in a record of an Irish Visitation, an area that I had not delved into before.

A bit of history... Heraldry developed in the 12th and 13th centuries and knights were awarded the right to have their personal 'device' – or design – on their shield. This helped to identify them in battle. This device was then handed down from father to son (the women missed out) as long as the son varied it slightly by adding or changing something slightly so that it was their own unique design. Heralds, appointed by the monarch, would visit families to inspect the Coat of Arms and to ensure that only those who were entitled to do so were using them. The bearer would have to prove their lineage back to the original grantee and the Heralds would report back to the Court. These records are an

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absolute godsend for genealogists, as parts of trees are laid out before you.

I knew that this practice took place in England and Scotland but, as someone who has not really researched Irish ancestors much, did not realise that visitations took place there as well. But of course they did. If any of you watched the Who Do You Think You Are? episode about Sir Matthew Pinsent, you will remember that the researchers managed to trace his ancestry back to God! Much of this was because of records made by the Heralds. It is a great shame that none of my ancestors were of noble lineage – it would have made my research a lot easier! Still, I think myself lucky that one branch stayed in the same town for 400 hundred years.



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Oundle Cinema screens two cinematic jewels in April

Described as 'as strong on substance as on show' in the Financial Times film review column, Goodbye Christopher Robin is the heart-warming portrayal of the life of AA Milne, the author who gave us Winnie-the-Pooh and friends. An intelligent tear-jerker, it reveals how the inhabitants of Hundred

Acre Wood were conjured up by Milne to counteract his post-traumatic stress following his experiences in the WW1 trenches. Sponsored by Willowbrook Kitchens, it will be screened in the Stahl Theatre, West St on Thursday 12th April at 7.30pm.

Cameraperson is an amazing tapestry of

documentary footage taken during the 25-year-long career of cinematographer Kirsten Johnson. Tender portraits of everyday people and quickly-captured moments of extraordinary scenes show the incredible power of the camera. Described in The Guardian as 'Fascinating and unique', this stunning documentary,

which is sponsored by Welland Flooring, is not to be missed. It will be screened in Fletton House on Wednesday 18th April at 7.30pm.

Forthcoming films in the Stahl Theatre include Breathe, about a polio sufferer's refusal to give in to the disease (which is screened in support of the Rotary Club's polio eradication campaign) and two films which need no

introduction: Paddington 2 and Murder On The Orient Express.

The final dOCs+ screening of the season is Our Last Tango, a beautiful portrait of the entrancing

Argentinean tango through the eyes of two of its greatest protagonists.

2018 Village Cinema programmes are on the Oundle Cinema website in the Outreach section.

Trailers and further information can be found on the website - www.oundlecinema.org.uk - where tickets can be purchased too. Alternatively, drop into the Oundle Box Office, 4 New Street or call 01832 274734.

Email information@oundlefestival.org.uk to receive email updates about forthcoming films, follow us on [facebook.com/oundlecinema](https://www.facebook.com/oundlecinema) and @Oundlecinema.



Acclaimed folk trio TEYR to play Yaxley

Folk trio TEYR will make a highly anticipated visit to the unique setting of St Peter's Church, Yaxley as part of the Oundle International Festival's Music in Special Places series, on Friday 8th June at 7.30pm.

Ahead of a full summer season of folk festivals, TEYR offer a selection of ballads, shanties, folk tunes and Irish poetry to create an evening of innovative and distinctive sound. With close vocal harmonies alongside accordion, fiddle, uilleann pipes, low whistle and guitar blended together, these three outstanding young folk musicians deliver a captivating evening of traditional music with their own influences.

James Gavin, Dominic Henderson and Tommie Black-Roff are three of London's finest new breed of folk musicians and have been recommended by Oz Hardwick of RnR Magazine:

'There are countless bands following a similar path of British acoustic music, but now and again one stands out - TEYR is such a band.'

Book in to secure your seats for what will be a wonderfully energetic and enjoyable performance. Further information and tickets (£15/£12.50/£4) are available from Oundle Festival Box Office, 4 New Street, Oundle, PE8 4EA, 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk

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The result is that St Peter's School has an excellent academic record, with children leaving well prepared to go on to the schools of their parents' choice. Whether that choice falls in the independent or maintained state sector, our boys and girls leave us well equipped with the academic and social skills they need ready to meet the new challenges of secondary education.

St Peter's School warmly welcomes parents to make an appointment to visit and meet the Headmistress who will show you around the School.

Performing Arts at Polebrook

Keystage 2 children at Polebrook Primary School wowed audiences recently with their fantastic acting, dance and singing skills in this year's performance of The Pied Piper by Nick Perrin and Ruth Kenward. School productions form an important aspect of the curriculum at Polebrook School as they allow children to study a play script in a real context and provide an exciting and memorable experience for the children to develop their performing and speaking skills.

Year 4, 5 and 6 children also formed part of the 500 strong ensemble of young performers, musicians and singers from a range of county youth ensembles and local schools who performed at Peterborough Cathedral on 17th March. This was the culmination of a project in collaboration with NMPAT and the composer Benjamin Till to perform 'Nene' a piece inspired by the wonders of the River Nene. The children relished the opportunity to be part of such a large project and were privileged to be given places very close to the County Youth Orchestra where they were able to see exactly how an orchestra works.

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BA Paris: Bring Me Back

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BA Paris is the internationally bestselling author of Behind Closed Doors, her 2016 debut novel, a psychological thriller about a seemingly perfect couple which resonated with readers around the world, selling half a million copies in just three months.

'This was one of the best and most terrifying psychological thrillers I have ever read.' —San Francisco Book Review

This was followed by her second book, The Breakdown about Cass, who left a woman stranded in a car on a rural road, who was then killed. Cass can't forget the woman she might have saved, and the terrible nagging guilt. And the silent calls she's receiving, or the feeling that someone's watching her.

Now the author returns with a breathtaking

thriller, Bring Me Back.

Twelve years ago Finn's girlfriend disappeared. He told the police the truth about that night. Just not quite the whole truth. Now Finn has moved on. But his past won't stay buried.

Having sold over one million copies in the UK alone, BA Paris is a New York Times bestseller as well as a number one bestseller on Amazon and iBooks. Her books have sold in 37 territories around the world.

Paris comes from a Franco/Irish background. She was brought up in England and moved to France where she spent some years working as a trader in an international bank before re-training as a teacher and setting up a language school with her husband. Having lived in France for many

years, she recently moved back to the UK.

Don't miss the chance to hear about BA Paris's career to date, her books and future plans!

Tickets £8 (£6), £1 off early bird tickets bought before 13th April, available from the Oundle Box Office, 4 New Street, Oundle. Open hours: 10am-4pm Mon to Fri, Tel. 01832 274734, online at www.oundlefestival.org.uk

Any queries call Helen on 07743988181 or email oundlelitfestival@hotmail.co.uk



Council leaders to propose new model for delivery of public services

The leaders of the district and borough councils across Northamptonshire have acknowledged the recent statement by Sajid Javid, Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, regarding Northamptonshire County Council. Javid said that his department was writing to the county, districts and borough councils asking them to submit locally led proposals for new ways of delivering local government services in Northamptonshire.

Citing Mr Javid's comments as a clear way forward in terms of the next

steps they need to take, the leaders have stated that the current arrangements for delivering local public services in the county need to change.

They added: 'This is an opportunity to build a long-term, sustainable model for delivering services across the county and it should include a wider consideration of the delivery of public services, with the needs of residents at their very heart.'

Steven North, Leader of East Northamptonshire Council, said: "East Northamptonshire continues to be a prosperous district with many opportunities for

growth and development in all areas including housing, business and community.

"Despite challenging local government finances, East Northamptonshire Council remains well run and we're in a reasonably sound financial position with a good asset base. We have excellent dedicated staff who are focussed on delivering good services for our residents and businesses and our customers have always been and always will be our main priority.

"East Northamptonshire is a great place to live, work and visit and this Council will continue to play its part in making it even better."

What's it all about... Alpha?

Starting in May Thrapston Baptist Church will be running an 'Alpha' course. Alpha is a series of informal sessions specifically for people who are interested in exploring if the Christian faith can be relevant to life today.

Beginning with a simple meal together, each session comprises a short video leading into small group discussions, where no question is too simple or too hostile. It's a place to listen, learn, discuss and discover.

Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation.

The videos are presented by Gemma Hunt (presenter of the CBeebies pirate game show Swashbuckle) and Toby Flint (curate at Holy Trinity Brompton, London) and they include interviews with famous people across the globe – including the adventurer Bear Grylls. Watch a trailer for the course at https://youtu.be/fViYK_Xb3Wg.

The Alpha course spread during the 1990s initially in the UK, then internationally. There are now over 55,000 Alpha courses worldwide in 166 countries and 75 languages.

People enrol on the Alpha course for many different reasons – some have never been to church and want to investigate whether God exists, others may have attended church before and want to explore the relevance of the Christian life to their daily lives.

The course starts on Tuesday 1st May, 7pm–9pm, and runs for 11 weeks.

There is no charge for the course, which includes the meal.

To register please contact the Alpha Administrator at thrapston.baptist@gmail.com, or call the church on 01832 734 880.

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Notice of planning applications received

Notice is given that the following applications have been received together with the last date for making representations:

Aldwincle

18/00475/LBC (28/04/2018) (LBRegs)

Retrieving the parapet from the watercourse and replacing the missing section of parapet (like for like), resetting a displaced coping stone North East of the structure at Brancey Bridge Thorpe Rd Aldwincle NN14 3EA

Benefield

18/00489/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Change of use of land to allow for woodworking, storage of timber and occasional public demonstrations (sui generis), including new hardstanding, a portable band mill and the erection of 3 open storage sheds (part retrospective) at Workshop Stocks Hill Cottage Stocks Hill Lower Benefield PE8 5AD

Higham Ferrers

18/00575/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Changing a flat roof to a pitched roof at 8 Vine Hill Close Higham Ferrers NN10 8EH

18/00602/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Replace a hedge to the front of property with a brick wall with pillars and railings at Chester House 85 Kimbolton Rd Higham Ferrers NN10 8HL

Irthlingborough

18/00393/VAR (21/04/2018) (Info)

Variation of conditions pursuant to planning application 17/00836/FUL: New build dormer bungalow including access

Condition 3

Condition 9

Condition 10

Condition 17

at Land Adjacent 11 Manor Drive Irthlingborough

18/00481/ADV (28/04/2018) (LB/CA)

1 off externally illuminated fascia sign with M4 letters
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1 off externally illuminated fascia sign with M4 letters
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18/00517/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Two storey side extension at 31 Holbush Way Irthlingborough

Islip

18/00553/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Proposed rear single storey extension on the back of existing single storey building at 87 Lowick, Road Islip NN14 3JY

Kings Cliffe

18/00579/FUL (28/04/2018) (LB/CA)

Front porch with first floor extension over. Alterations to main entrance and front ground floor windows. Timber cladding to front and side elevations at 16 Bridge St Kings Cliffe PE8 6XH

Lowick And Slipton

18/00556/FUL (28/04/2018) (LB/CA)

Single Storey Oak framed Extension at Newtons Yard 3 Main St Lowick

Oundle

18/00509/FUL (28/04/2018) (LB/CA)

Removal existing brand signage and ATM at 9 Market Place Oundle PE8 4BB

18/00510/LBC (28/04/2018) (LBRegs)

Removal existing brand signage and ATM. Internal works to remove non-original fixtures, fittings, furniture and equipment relating to the operation of the branch at 9 Market Place Oundle PE8 4BB

18/00518/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Ground floor extension and alteration to dormer bedroom above garage on first floor (Re-submission of 17/02678/FUL) at 32 Creed Rd Oundle PE8 4QN

18/00574/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Creation of new vehicle access at 103 Benefield Rd Oundle

18/00577/LBC (28/04/2018) (LBRegs)

External redecoration of house and stables at The Stables Cobthorne 16 West St Oundle PE8 4EF

18/00601/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Proposed extensions to garage at front and infill extension to kitchen/dining at rear at 20 Cotterstock Rd Oundle PE8 5HA

Polebrook

18/00437/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Proposed attic conversion with new dormer windows and roof lights at 3 Circus Grove Polebrook PE8 5LE

Raunds

18/00401/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Erection of garage at 20 Park St Raunds NN9 6NB

18/00516/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

To replace flat roof area with pitched roof, to include ten rooflights; Erection of front boundary fence and gates at 2 Poplars Close Raunds NN9 6EZ

Ringstead

18/00536/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Two-storey residential dwelling at 7 High St Ringstead NN14 4DA

Rushden

17/01912/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Erection of single dwelling at 55 North St Rushden NN10 6BU

18/00354/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Proposed single storey dwelling at 49 Irchester Rd Rushden NN10 9XG

18/00404/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Construction of a terrace of 3 two storey dwellings, demolition of existing building, alterations to existing access and associated works at 158 Wymington Rd Rushden NN10 9LA

18/00469/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

To convert half garage into a playroom/bedroom with new window to side elevation (no alternation to front elevation) (part retrospective) at 14 Arum Close Rushden

18/00515/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Creation of new vehicle access onto highway at 167 Irchester Rd Rushden

18/00522/ADV (21/04/2018) (Info)

1 no. internally illuminated fascia sign and 1 no. goods sign at rear at land adjacent Skew Bridge Ski Slope Rushden Lakes Rushden

18/00532/VAR (21/04/2018) (Info)

Variation of condition 1 pursuant to planning application 17/00319/REM: Reserved matters - Appearance, Landscaping and Layout pursuant to planning permission 16/00469/OUT dated 2.6.16 - Outline application: Demolition of existing dwelling and outbuildings: residential development of 9 up to dwellings; modification of access to off road parking; and amenity space (all matters reserved except access and scale) at 3 Northampton Rd Rushden

18/00580/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Proposed replacement garage block with Granny Annexe accommodation over at 122 Newton Rd Rushden NN10 0HL

Stanwick

18/00537/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Proposed first floor extension above garage, storm porch and pitched roof canopies at 31 High St Stanwick NN9 6QA

18/00573/LBC (28/04/2018) (LBRegs)

Erection of car port with solar panels attached to existing garage building at The Grange 24, Grange Road Stanwick NN9 6PZ

Thrapston

18/00523/FUL (28/04/2018) (LB/CA)

Replacement of double doors/Sidelights to 2nd floor balcony. Shiplap boarding to top third of glazed gable frames at 14 Chicheley Cottages Hortons Lane Thrapston NN14 4XT

18/00526/FUL (28/04/2018) (LB/CA)

Erection of seven residential dwellings together with creation and upgrade of accesses with associated demolition of a small section of frontage wall at 38 Huntingdon Rd Thrapston NN14 4NQ

Titchmarsh

18/00525/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Change of use from field to horse riding arena (manege), 40mx25m with post and rail fencing around it at land adjacent Ranway House Islington Titchmarsh NN14 3DG

Warmington

18/00472/FUL (21/04/2018) (Info)

Construction of small stable block. Two loose boxes, tack room and hay store and associated boundary treatment at Rectory Farm Lutton Rd Warmington PE8 6UT

The reason for applications being advertised is as follows:

Part3 - Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 2015.

Part16 - Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 2015.

Info - Non-statutory - included for information only. LB/CA - Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990.

LBRegs - Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990.

Paul Bland, Head Of Planning Services

Dated 7 April 2018

Consultation deadlines will differ for each application. Please go to www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/planningapplications for details.

From the ENC Chairman

When daffodils appear and there is a slight change in the colour of the bushes and trees, coupled with the fact the clock has been moved forward, spring is here and summertime will soon be on the way. If you are anything like me, it cannot come quickly enough.

I had the pleasure of accompanying the Mayor of Thrapston, Cllr Sam Cribb, to open the new play area in Thrapston, which Community Facilities Funding from ENC and Thrapston Town Council funding has made possible. Modern playground equipment has been provided for the youngsters to enjoy. Well done Thrapston.

My last 'Where am I?' picture was of Great Addington, a lovely village with just over 100 dwellings and which sits above the flood plains of the river Nen/Nene. The centre of the village is dominated by the Parish Church which boasts a 14th century tower and a 12th century

South Porch. There is also a Saxon burial ground located within the village. Another gem in our district and well worth a visit.

So, where was this picture taken?

*Cllr Colin Wright
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Barnwell village is again gearing up for a huge community effort. This time it's in support of the Entertainers, who are preparing for their next production in the Village Hall. The group have been producing shows for over 30 years. The village has only 150 households so a good percentage of the population have been involved. Not quite Oberammergau but if you visit the village in the next few weeks you may well see the nuns, the Archbishop, the jilted lover, the pushy reporter or the gardener wandering the streets.

The play, Drinking Habits, written by award-winning playwright Tom Smith, is frequently performed in America but very rarely in this country, so the chances are you won't have seen it. It is a play about the threat of a small convent closing its doors and two

nuns who desperately try to keep it open by secretly making and selling wine. Accusations and mistaken identities run rampant in this hilarious farce as two reporters go undercover, producing paranoia throughout the convent that spies have been sent from Rome to shut them down. Wine and secrets are spilled as everyone tries to preserve the convent and reconnect with lost loves.

The story takes place at the convent of the Sisters of Perpetual Sewing. The wine part will come naturally to the cast but probably not the sewing which may be a

challenge for some of our actors.

The Entertainers say: 'Most of our set construction crew are fresh from creating Barnwell Bonfire and again our local builder will be in charge. His sets are always amazing and he is famous for secret doors falling pictures and exploding taps! Our artist was responsible for painting the Hogwarts Express at the bonfire and he will work his magic on the convent. A team from the village will take care of props, front of house, lighting and sound to name just a few.'

Barnwell Entertainers has just come into the 21st century with the creation of their own website so you can check out how things are going at www.barnwellentertainers.com There is even a link so you can order tickets. Now that is 21st century!

The dates to put in your diary are 26th, 27th and 28th April. If you prefer more traditional methods real cardboard tickets can be bought from Oundle Box Office, Barnwell Post Office or Lower Farm Bed and Breakfast. We look forward to welcoming you.

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Sat 21 Evesham Blossom Trial
Thu 26 Banbury Market
Thu 26 Southwold & Suffolk Tour
Sat 28 Harrogate Spring Flower Show
Sat 28 Norwich
Mon 30 Oxford, Oxford Castle

May

Wed 2 Bury St Edmunds
Sat 5 Lincoln
Sat 5 Hunstanton
Sun 6 Melton Mowbray Cheese Festival
Mon 7 Bourn Airfield Market
Mon 7 Llandudno Victorian Extravaganza
Sat 12 Ludlow, Ludlow Spring Festival
Sat 12 Malvern Spring Show
Tue 15 Cambridge
Wed 16 Cardiff
Wed 16 42nd Street, Lion King
Fri 18 Lichfield & 2 course Lunch
Sat 19 National Stud & Newmarket Races
Sat 19 Hampton Court Palace
Sat 19 Harry & Meghan - The Wedding
Sun 20 Clacton
Sun 20 This Morning Live @ NEC
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October	Fri 12	Swindon & Steam - 3 days	£211
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Great British Spring Clean

It may not have felt very much like spring but volunteers gave up their time and joined in the Great British Spring Clean on Saturday 24th March.

Armed with their litter pickers and gloves, groups of local Brownies, local residents, Council staff, Councillors and the Mayor targeted all areas of the town in a bid to rid the streets and open spaces of litter. Over 40 bags of rubbish were collected along with a lawnmower, pushchair and

road cone.

Altogether, across the UK, up to half a million people have been out and about clearing up the places they love as part of a wider campaign to rid the country of litter.

The campaign, backed by wildlife presenter Steve Backshall and organisations

including Keep Britain Tidy, the Women's Institute and the RSPCA, has resulted in the biggest community-led clean-up the country has ever seen.

Cllr Nick Beck, Mayor of Raunds said: "The Great British Spring Clean inspired people to volunteer a few hours to get outdoors and pick up some of the litter that

surrounds us and blights the areas where we live. We were delighted to participate alongside so many willing volunteers who all played their bit in helping make Raunds a cleaner place to live."



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Since its beginnings in India in 1996, there are now thousands of laughter clubs globally.

Sue Hart, who attends 'Chuckle Club' in Oundle each Friday, is an enthusiast. She says: "I was rather sceptical at first but the sessions are addictive. They're relaxing and exhilarating at the same time and I've found they even help my concentration. I love it!"

So from children to seniors, within corporate settings or community, it works. Give it a go!

Ali Coultts of local business, Gently be (www.gentlybe.com) can run a Laughter Yoga session for your group. Contact her on 07840 737588 or ali@gentlybe.com

Sports sponsorship is good for business

Be part of an event that brings £1.75 million pounds to the Northamptonshire economy by sponsoring the start of Stage 2 of the Ovo Energy Women's Tour leaving from Rushden on 14th June.

The Ovo Energy Women's Tour is a major UK sporting event and is a unique sponsorship opportunity for your business to advertise its product or brand on a local, national and global stage.

Packages start from £250 and can include your logo in tour and council publications, the right to use the event name and logo in conjunction with sponsorship in advertising prior to the event, VIP hospitality at the starting line, social media advertising and access to an event photographer including a framed photo of the event.

Leader of East Northamptonshire Council, which is co-hosting the Grand Depart with Rushden Town Council, Steven North says:

"With thousands of spectators, cycling fans and tour crew descending on Rushden for the Stage 2 start of the world famous race, your business could benefit hugely from having your name associated with this exciting event. There will also be hundreds of thousands more watching it on social media, on regional, national and global TV and reading about it in all major national and local newspapers. The event has a broad appeal from local to global, family to enthusiast. There is plenty of scope to get your brand across.

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Wednesday

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Thursday

Oundle 9.30-10.30am starts 19th Apr
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Thursday 12th April
Oundle Cinema: Goodbye Christopher Robin (PG)
 Stahl Theatre, West Street, Oundle PE8 4EJ
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Tiddlers Group for 0 to 3 year olds
 Thrapston Baptist Church
 NO Tiddlers this week – Easter break

Friday 13th April
Oundle Historical Society: John Clare's Life and Local Connections
 Methodist Church, Drummingwell Lane, Oundle
 7.30pm, members free, non-members £2.
 Perdita Cawthorne 01832 270372
 Illustrated Talk by Carry Akroyd.

Fusion for 7 to 11 year olds
 Thrapston Baptist Church
 NO Fusion this week – Easter break

Saturday 14th April
Clothes Sale Fundraiser
 Adult School Hall, 3 Nene Road, Higham Ferrers NN10 8BD
 11am-3pm, free admission
osaat.charity@gmail.com
 Homemade cakes, tea/coffee, raffle and nearly new clothes and items for sale.

Mixed Media Workshop
 Ringstead Village Social Club
 10am-4pm, £30 booking essential, 01933 460676
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Church Open Day
 Raunds Methodist Church, Brook St 10am-4pm
 Rev Kim Shorley 01933 622137
 Church seeks community views for future church rebuild project.

14th April to 21st April
Cycling Fundraiser: The Camino Frances – 800km in 8 days Northern Spain—the Way of St James the Apostle.
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www.justgiving.com/fundraising/joe-gasan
 I am raising money for the SVP which helps people in need in this local area and am looking to raise awareness of this charity.

Sunday 15th April
Higham Ferrers Footpath Group
 Saffron Road car park Higham Ferrers for car sharing
 9.10am, free admission
 01933 663603
 Six-mile walk from Emberton.

Morning Service
 Thrapston Baptist Church
 10.30am
 Preacher: Joy Hussain
 The power of prayer, James 5:13-20.

Whitefriars Church – Morning Worship
 Whitefriars Church at Whitefriars Primary School, Boughton Drive, Rushden NN10 9HX
 10.15am
 Chris Youngman 01933 551769
 An informal church service open to all.

Rushden & Higham Ferrers Churches Together in Prayer and Praise
 Highfield Community Baptist Church, Highfield Road, Rushden
 7.30pm
 Andrew Presland 01933 316927
 An informal time of prayer and praise.

Tuesday 17th April
Painting Wild Roses on a Slate Tile
 Ringstead Village Social Club
 10am-2.30pm, £19 booking essential 01933 460676
 Complete beginners to painting will achieve a wonderful result to either hang inside or outside your home.

Wednesday 18th April
dOCs+ Cameraperson (15)
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 7.30pm, admission: £8
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Thursday 19th April
Pottery Workshop
 Stanwick Lakes
 10.30am-3pm, £22 booking essential 01933 460676
 Complete beginners bring your own terracotta pots for a painting makeover simple brushstrokes and/or stencilling.

Tiddlers Group for 0 to 3 year olds
 Thrapston Baptist Church
 9.30am-11am
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Friday 20th April
Fusion for 7 to 11 year olds
 Thrapston Baptist Church
 6.30pm-8pm
 Lively and fun group with games, songs and bible based illustrations.

Author talk: BA Paris – Bring Me Back
 St Peter's Church, Oundle PE8 4AL
 7.45pm, tickets £8 (£6), £1 off early bird tickets bought before 13th April, available from the Oundle Box Office Helen 07743988181
 Psychological thriller author, talks about her career and best-selling books, can you guess whodunnit?

Rushden & District History Society
 South End Junior School, Wymington Road, Rushden NN10 9JU
 7.30pm, admission: members £1.50, non-members £2.50
 01933 358218
 Mike Muncaster: 'US Civil War Music'.

Two Talks about Butterflies by Douglas Goddard and Susannah O'Riordan
 Methodist Church, Drummingwell Lane, Oundle
 7.30pm, £2, Keith Alvey 01832 272666
 'BB and His Butterflies' and 'The Reintroduction of the Chequered Skipper'.

Saturday 21st April
Scenes with Queens – a Celebration for the Bard's Birthday
 Oundle Library, Glapthorn Road 3pm, free entry and refreshments
 Hilary Hoyle 01832 273886
 Join the Friends of Oundle Library and U3A Shakespeare Group 4 to celebrate Shakespeare's birthday with readings of scenes with Queens from his works.

Sunday 22nd April
Whitefriars Church – Morning Worship with Holy Communion
 Whitefriars Church at Whitefriars Primary School, Boughton Drive, Rushden NN10 9HX

10.15am
 Chris Youngman 01933 551769
 An informal church service open to all.

Morning Service
 Thrapston Baptist Church
 10.30am
 Preacher: Mat Hussain
 Handing Relationships, James 4:1-10.

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 Anita Hackney 01832 733274

Oundle Ladies Running Group
 Oundle pool car park
 6.45pm, Jane Walker 01832 272898/
janewalkercakes@icloud.com

Every Monday (term time)
Praise and Play
 St James' Church Thrapston
 1.30-2.45pm, refreshments available
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 Oundle School Swimming Pool, Milton Road, Oundle
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1st Monday of the month
Oundle Wives
 Methodist Church, Oundle
 7.45pm, £3 refreshments/raffle
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Finedon Irthingborough & District Branch Royal British Legion Branch Meeting
 Finedon Bowls Club
 7.30pm, Peter Eames 07434 328237

1st and 3rd Monday of each month
Oundle Rotary
 The Ship Inn, West Street, Oundle PE8 4EF
 6.15pm, Jane Grant 07712-933574.
 Bring your skills, experience, enthusiasm, give something back to your community.

2nd Monday of the month
Royal British Legion Rushden Branch Monthly Meeting
 Rushden Football & Social Club, Hayden Road, Rushden
 7.15pm, annual fee £17
 Jake Baker 07525 441267

3rd Monday of the month (except Dec)
Oundle Munch Club
 Oundle Primary School
 Come for a roast lunch and pudding £4, call 01832 275353 to book.

Monday once a month
Woodturning Club
 Hardwick Village,

nr Wellingborough NN9 5AL
 7pm-10pm, Paul Lawman
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Every Tuesday
Pensioners Club – Men Only
 Rushden Hall
 2pm-4pm, Secretary – David Robinson 01933 313729 or 07391 562772. New members needed.
 Speakers, bingo and whist, annual Christmas dinner. Also coach outings.

East Northants Classic Motorcycle Club
 New Inn Public House, Wymington
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Rushden Mission Training Band
 Mission Church, Wellingborough Road, Rushden
 7.30pm-8.45pm, Alan Richardson 01933 355302

Slimming World
 Oundle Rugby Club, Occupation Rd
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 Rushden Independent Wesleyan Church
 9.15am

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Community ICT Classes
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 2.30pm-4pm, 01832 277267 to enrol.

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 Two Acre Club, off Milton Road
 2.15pm-3.45pm
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Companionship Café
 M&S Café (Rushden Lakes)
 1pm-3pm (times will change during school holidays), Marie 01933 678775. No booking needed.

2nd Wednesday of the month
Coffee Morning
 Raunds Methodist Church
 10am-12noon, 01933 383378

3rd Wednesday of the month
Wellingborough Flower Arrangement Society
 St Mary's Church Hall, Knox Road, Wellingborough NN8 1HU
 7.30pm, £5, Chairman 01933 222326/Secretary 01604 870275

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 11.45am, Mary Morby 01933 312476 or e.m.m@btinternet.com

4th Wednesday of the month
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 St Peters Church Hall, Midland Road, Rushden
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 Stanwick Village Hall, 2pm-2.45pm,
 £4 per child, £2 for siblings, Naomi Cooper on musicmakersnorthants@gmail.com

Community Art Classes
 Oundle School Art Department
 7.30pm-8.30pm, free classes for people with a disability.

Adult & Child Swim Sessions
 Oundle School Swimming Pool, Milton Road Oundle
 9.15-9.45am, booked in advance as a block (£4.75 per lesson)
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3rd Thursday of the month
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 Janet Lowe 01933 389647

Thursday Market Day
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 Milton Road, Oundle
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Wildlife Trust Little Bugs Club
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(Check before travelling)
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 01832 273826/272340

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 Saxon Hall, Raunds
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 St Mary's Church, Ringstead
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 Oundle Methodist Church,
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 stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice.
 Representors must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A guide to making representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's office.



PUBLIC NOTICE
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
(AMENDED BY THE LOCALISM ACT 2011)
NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLANNING
(GENERAL) REGULATIONS 2012 (as amended)
SUBMISSION OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE PARISH OF BRIGSTOCK (BRIGSTOCK NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2011-2031):
CONSULTATION UNDER REGULATION 16 OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING (GENERAL) REGULATIONS 2012

Notice is given, that on 5 March 2018 Brigstock Parish Council submitted a draft neighbourhood development plan (Brigstock Neighbourhood Development Plan 2011-2031) to East Northamptonshire Council, under Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended).

The 'plan proposal'
 In accordance with Regulation 16, East Northamptonshire Council is now consulting upon the draft Neighbourhood Plan. Comments are invited, regarding whether the 'plan proposal', as submitted under Regulation 15 (the draft Brigstock Neighbourhood Development Plan and supporting documentation) fulfils the "basic conditions", as required by paragraph 8 (1) (a) (2) of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (inserted by the Localism Act 2011). The plan proposal, as submitted, comprises the following documents:

- A map identifying the area to which the proposed neighbourhood development plan relates;
- A consultation statement;
- The proposed neighbourhood development plan;
- A statement (the "Basic Conditions Statement") explaining how the proposed neighbourhood development plan meets the requirements of paragraph 8 of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

The "basic conditions"
 Representations received under Regulation 16 regarding the plan proposal will be forwarded to an appointed examiner, who will assess the Brigstock Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documents against the "basic conditions". These require that the plan:

- Has regard to national policy and guidance from the Secretary of State;
- Contributes to sustainable development;
- Is in general conformity with the strategic policy of the development plan for the area or any part of that area;
- Doesn't breach or is otherwise compatible with EU obligations – this includes the SEA Directive of 2001/42/EC; and that
- The making of the Neighbourhood Development Plan is not likely to have a significant effect on a European site (as defined in the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010(d), either alone or in combination with other plans or projects.

Submitting representations under Regulation 16
 Comments are sought as to whether or not the plan proposal (Brigstock Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documentation) fulfils the "basic conditions". Further information can be found on the Council's website under the consultation pages at the following link: <http://www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/consultation>.

Copies of the plan proposal will be available to view at the following locations, between **Friday, 6 April and Monday, 21 May 2018** inclusive:

- Customer Service Centre, Cedar Drive, Thrapston, NN14 4LZ (8:45am – 5pm Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri; 9:45am – 5pm Wed)
- Customer Service Centre, Newton Road, Rushden, NN10 0PT (9am – 4:30pm Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri; 9:45am – 5pm Wed)
- Customer Service Centre, Oundle Town Council offices, Fletton House, Glapthorn Road, Oundle, PE8 4JA (10am-1pm, Mon to Fri)
- Oundle and Thrapston Libraries (opening times available through Northamptonshire County Council website)

Comments should be made by e-mail to planningpolicy@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk or to Planning Policy and Conservation, East Northamptonshire Council, Cedar Drive, Thrapston, NN14 4LZ no later than **4pm on Monday, 21 May 2018**.

Paul Bland
 Head of Planning Services
 East Northamptonshire Council

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (DRUMMING WELL LANE, OUNDLE)
(TEMPORARY FOOTPATH CLOSURE) ORDER 2018
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit pedestrians from proceeding along that length of Drumming Well Lane, Oundle as set out below.
LENGTH OF FOOTPATH TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of Drumming Well Lane, Oundle from West Street for 20 metres.
REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during installation of new water service.
PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 1st May 2018 and will continue in force for a period of six months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.
EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the footpath will be restricted for up to four days.
ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use Milton Road, New Street and West Street.
 Dated this 7th day of April 2018
 QUENTIN BAKER
 Director of Law & Governance
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 If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp on 01604 883400.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (LOWICK LANE, ALDWINCLE)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2018
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LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of Lowick Lane, Aldwincle between numbers 8 and 18 Lowick Lane.
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