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NEWS IN BRIEF

Household waste
recycling centres
re-open 18th May

Northamptonshire County Council will re-open its Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs) for the residents to dispose of essential household waste.

In line with guidance from DEFRA the council is asking that only essential journeys to HWRCs be made, and only if waste or recycling cannot be stored safely at home without causing injury, harm or risk to health.

In line with Public Health England guidance, residents who are vulnerable, or who are showing symptoms which may indicate coronavirus, should not visit household recycling centres.

The council is expecting the sites to be very busy and as they will be operating at reduced capacity to comply with social distancing rules, long queues are expected.

Social distancing measures also mean that unfortunately site staff will not be able to assist members of the public with carrying any waste, as they usually would do.

Residents are advised to check the council's website for details of what days and times their local HWRC will be open. Please visit www.northamptonshire.gov.uk

Rushden Sea Cadets help in the fight against Covid-19

The Covid-19 lockdown has changed the lives of so many people in recent months, with schools closed and the vast majority of us confined to our homes. But one group of Sea Cadets, based in Rushden, have been making good use of their newly found spare time.

Since all Sea Cadet activities were suspended back in March, in line with government advice, four of the cadets have found a very worthwhile activity to keep themselves busy.

When the national shortage of PPE (personal protective equipment) hit

the headlines a few weeks ago, the Cadets sprang into action, making their own homemade non-clinical face masks, for adult social care workers in their local community. The idea came from one of their instructors, who when she is not teaching Sea Cadets,

works full-time in the adult social care sector herself.

"I am so proud of the Cadets," said Petty Officer Sam Baker. "They have done a great job making these masks, which are already being used by the staff. I look after adults with learning difficulties and some have challenging health conditions that mean they are bed bound and need shielding."

"The face masks add an extra layer of protection, which helps reduce the chance of spreading the virus."

Vice-Chairman of the Unit, Commander David Pickles Royal Navy, is currently seconded to the Ministry of Defence in Whitehall, where he is working as Chief of Staff on the



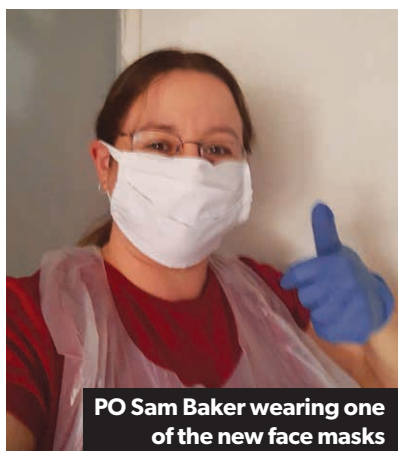
Cadet Jess making a mask

Covid-19 Crisis Response Team.

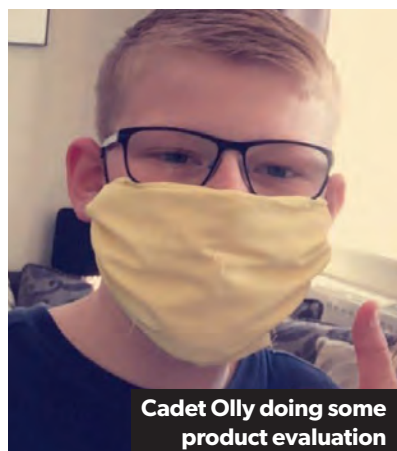
"This is what the Sea Cadets is all about," said David. "Sea Cadets is not just about having fun on the water, it also teaches them about teamwork and playing an active role in society, and that is exactly what these cadets have demonstrated here."

"In a crisis, we need to work as a team and Cadets Josh, Olly, Jess and Tabitha are another example of how people and communities are pulling together in these difficult times."

You can learn more about Rushden Sea Cadets by visiting their webpage www.sea-cadets.org/rushden or find them on Facebook @SeaCadetsRushden



PO Sam Baker wearing one of the new face masks



Cadet Olly doing some product evaluation

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Scotts of Thrapston marks centenary with virtual nod to RHS Chelsea Flower Show

Timber product manufacturer Scotts of Thrapston has created a virtual homage to the RHS Chelsea Flower Show, which has been cancelled this year due to the Covid-19 crisis.

Scotts of Thrapston, which is celebrating its centenary, has been at the forefront of summerhouse manufacture for nearly seven decades. The family business is also one of the longest exhibiting trade stands at the annual flower show, having first appeared in 1964.

Scotts was due to exhibit again this year, showcasing the most

popular designs in its range of ethically sourced hardwood summerhouses. Instead, they will celebrate the show using digital and social media tools so that people can still get a flavour of the summerhouses that would have been exhibited - the Balmoral, Sun Ray Garden Room, Newhaven and Burghley.

The company has created a virtual tour, scottsofthrapston.co.uk/Chelsea20, and will run social media campaigns during what would have been RHS Chelsea Flower Show, which was due to open to the public on 19th May.

James Scott, Managing Director, said: "The RHS Chelsea Flower Show is a very important event for us, not just for our order books but for the pride we feel when attending.

"We are all facing unprecedented times, and although we cannot meet at the RHS Chelsea Flower Show as we would wish, we are staging our own 'virtual' stand as a tribute to this incredible show."

Scotts of Thrapston also produces stables, American barns, garages, car barns, pavilions, roof trusses, joinery, and engineered flooring.



GENEALOGY JOTTINGS

WORDS BY
JAN PEARSON

Where do you keep all of your research information? Is it on a database for which only you know the password or is it all in your head? What will you do with it all?

Not everyone has someone in the family who is there for it to be passed on to. I don't have any children - I have been researching my tree purely for the love of it... and the fact that I am inherently curious! My closest relative will fall asleep even before I finish the words "family history", such is his interest. But I would really like to share it.

Years ago, I uploaded what research I had done onto

Ancestry. It was in the early days of online trees and I was so excited about being able to share my work that I was not always as scrupulous as I should have been about the accuracy of a couple of my finds. My membership lapsed and my tree was no longer held on the website. However, this was not before some people had copied my tree - including the mistakes - and attached it to their own... however distant the connection.

Fast forward 20-odd years and some of those early mistakes can still be seen on various family trees. Such is the danger of copying information at face value

without checking it out! One of my ancestors was Mary Ann Dean Scott. Now, her mother was Sarah Scott and her father was William Dean but they had never married. However, Sarah gave her daughter William's surname as one of her middle names in recognition of the fact that he was her father. Someone challenged this and posted on their own tree that Mary Ann's maiden name was Dean and that she married a chap named Scott and that was how the name was carried on. I have still seen this inaccuracy perpetuated to this day.

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Centre Manager brings expertise to ENTERPRISE CENTRE EAST NORTHANTS



Fiona Wells

Industry expert, Fiona Wells has been appointed as the new Centre Manager for Enterprise Centre East Northants.

East Northamptonshire Council (ENC), which is delivering the flagship centre, appointed BizSpace to manage the day-to-day operation in March this year.

BizSpace is one of the leading experts in letting workspaces and managing business centres and the on-site team will be headed up by Fiona, who has 14 years of experience in the industry.

Having worked with Kent Thameside, Thurrock and Luton Borough Councils, Fiona enjoys building a community with all customers and contractors alike.



Fiona attends a number of local and national networking/exhibitions to attract new clients.

Fiona said: "I am both keen and excited to be working on the council's flagship project whilst joining forces with such a vibrant and modern company and the UK's leading provider BizSpace."

ENC is working with Total Project

Integration (TPI) and R H Partnership Architects to deliver the £8 million project. ENC, which is funding the project, received a contribution of £1.695 million funding from the SEMLEP's Local Growth Fund in order to deliver the centre as part of Enterprising East Northants, the council's economic arm for sustainable job creation and business growth.

To register your interest or for more information please call: 0808 1787 060 or visit: www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/ecen

Digital Northampton tech innovation SHOWCASE GOES VIRTUAL

Merged Futures 2020, Digital Northampton's second annual tech innovation showcase is set to take place on Friday 12th June. After the success of last year's event, attended by over 300 people at the University of Northampton, this year will be virtual!

Digital Northampton is a collaboration between the University of Northampton, Northamptonshire County Council and local digital businesses. Now almost 18 months old, Digital Northampton has been a flag-bearer for the amazing digital and tech talent in Northamptonshire.

Digital Northampton connects the new and growing tech community in Northamptonshire through social media, events and competitions, helping to put the county on the map for innovation and promote the benefits of a local digital supply chain.

Thanks to long-term supporters and Merged Futures sponsors CityFibre, the event will showcase the local tech sector including:

- discussions on the role of social media in the age of coronavirus
- a workshop exploring user research techniques when creating new online services
- the importance of e-learning and

on-boarding new staff

- how Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality are becoming everyday tools
- the importance of cyber security for all
- how the classroom now stretches across Europe
- building your brand
- digitisation in a human world and how we're coping

More sessions are being added all the time to help make Merged Futures a comprehensive virtual event exploring many different aspects of the digital world.

The event will close with a fun interactive quiz and a panel discussion on the benefits of collaboration, including examples of how Digital Northampton has played its part in bringing people together and what the recent lockdown means for the future of our community.

The timetable is still being finalised. To see more details of speakers announced so far, visit the Digital Northampton website <https://www.digitalnorthampton.com/events2/merged-futures-2>

Join in from 9.30am on Friday 12th June by visiting digitalnorthampton.com/mergedfutures to book your free ticket and follow Digital Northampton on Twitter at @diginorthampton.

MAKING A WILL?

Questions to ask before you buy

Does making a Will online, or through a similar business offering cheap prices, really protect the interests of you and your family? Or are you putting your estate at risk of ending up in the wrong hands?

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- are required to keep their knowledge fully up to date through learning and training, called Continuing Professional Development
- are likely to be holders of additional accreditations such as the Wills and Inheritance Quality Scheme

They may also hold other accreditations such as Lexcel, the 'quality mark' for law firms.

> ALSO CONSIDER WHETHER THEY ARE REALLY LOCAL?

As well as possibly a freephone number, have they got a 'proper' geographic phone number, or numbers, listed or on their website?

Is their address clearly stated and easy to find?

Where are their offices?

- Have they got a permanent address listed?
- If they have got an address, do they have a full-time office there or is it a 'virtual' or 'serviced office'?
- Have they got a permanent address listed on Google and does it show on Google My Business?

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Spotlight on > Health & Wellbeing

'QUIT FOR COVID' with Public Health Northamptonshire's Stop Smoking Service

Public Health Northamptonshire is encouraging smokers to #QuitforCovid, not only to protect themselves but to reduce demand on NHS services. The coronavirus pandemic is putting an unprecedented strain on the NHS, and England's Chief Medical Officer is urging smokers to give up smoking to lower their risk, so there

has never been a better time to quit.

The #QuitforCovid campaign www.todayistheday.co.uk encourages people to join the conversation, share their own stories and hear from other people about how they are getting on with their attempts to quit smoking. There is also a 'Twitter Quit Clinic' from 7.30pm to 8.30pm every day which quitters can join at www.twitter.com/quitforcovid using the hashtag #QuitforCovid.

The Northamptonshire Stop Smoking Service is encouraging smokers across the county to take part in the campaign, and use the lockdown period as an opportunity to significantly improve their health whilst also protecting the NHS.

For some smokers the thought of giving up smoking during such a stressful time may seem

particularly daunting. A common misconception about smoking is that it relieves stress and anxiety, whereas in fact the opposite is true. Smoking interferes with chemicals in the brain, and when smokers go without cigarettes the cravings that occur will create, or heighten, feelings of stress and anxiety. The feeling of relief you get when having a cigarette is temporary, and is only really satisfying your need for nicotine.

Thankfully there are much cleaner ways to get nicotine, such as through a nicotine patch or an electronic cigarette. Products like these will satisfy your cravings, and are available for free from the Northamptonshire Stop Smoking Service when you take part in their 12-week quit programme. The service, which

is now offering telephone support Monday to Friday, can provide you with advice on how to quit and send nicotine replacement products directly to your door.

Lucy Wightman, Director of Public Health, Northamptonshire said: "Our Stop Smoking Service offers a range of products and specialist support on quitting smoking. People who quit with the support of a service such as this are four times more likely to succeed than those who go it alone and the benefits of quitting start to take hold immediately."

There is also support available

in Northamptonshire for those feeling stressed or anxious due to the current pandemic. Northamptonshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust's 'Changing Minds IAPT' service supports Northamptonshire residents who are feeling stressed, low in mood or have mild to moderate depression and/or an anxiety disorder. Visit www.nhft.nhs.uk/iapt for more information. If you would like to take part in #QuitforCovid, please send your name, address, DOB, and contact number to smokefree@northamptonshire.gov.uk

To access support from the NHFT Changing Minds Programme, call 0300 999 1616 (9 to 5 weekdays) or fill in the online form at <https://www.nhft.nhs.uk/iapt>. NHFT also has a number of Wellbeing Navigators for advice around local support and services available 24 hours a day, every day, just call 0300 330 10 11.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT ISSUED TO CARE PROVIDERS

Almost £200,000 is being issued to care providers needing financial support in Northamptonshire due to Covid-19.

Payments totalling £112,000 will be issued this week, with a further £80,000 of payments being processed for other providers.

This is in addition to the planned annual fee rises that were included in this year's budget and which will be backdated to the start of April this year. The fee increase will be twice what it was last year and letters confirming the details of this will be issued this week, several months earlier than usual.

As well as the financial support, the county council established a Provider Support Hub in early March, providing advice and guidance to care providers and taking requests for PPE. This is also supported by CCG staff. This is open 8am to 8pm, seven days a week. Providers can contact the hub directly via NASSCOVIDC@nass.uk.net and 01604 361311.

The council and the CCG have coordinated regular contacts with all providers hosting call-in sessions three times a week where any provider or group can raise questions and get information and support from Norarch. This is in addition to a continuous cycle of contacting all care and

support providers individually to check they are successfully managing the situation, as well as offer support and advice.

All symptomatic and confirmed incidences of Covid-19 across the care sector are being monitored and recorded, and action is being taken to support providers with infection control and ensuring appropriate PPE is available to them, helping to keep both staff and customers safe. Working with the CCG the council now has a mobile taskforce who are attending any homes that are struggling and need help with training, advice or clinical help.

Councillor Ian Morris said: "We know that this is a particularly challenging time for care providers, who unfortunately are at high risk given that the elderly and those with underlying health conditions are most at risk from this virus."

"That's why alongside Public Health England, the CCG and CQC we worked quickly and put measures in place to help keep customers and staff as safe as possible. This includes the provider hardship fund, and we have responded to requests for payment with almost £200,000 being allocated already. We have also worked to make sure they get their uplift information much earlier than usual."

"We also set up the provider hub, which has since become national best practice and has been mandated nationally as a requirement in all areas."

"We have been regularly contacting care homes to check they are coping okay, and where any short-term issues have been picked up we have responded rapidly, in some cases providing support such as PPE equipment within just half an hour of being contacted."

"At the same time we have been working with GPs and community health partners around prevention and infection control and with public health to identify and track all cases and outbreaks. With the support of Northampton General Hospital, we were also able to undertake staff testing for all care home staff ahead of the national programme being launched. We have also set up additional sites, supported by health partners, should we need to move any residents or for any residents that cannot return to their care home from hospital."

"Above all, our focus remains the welfare of staff and residents and we want to assure them and the families of all care home residents that we continue to do everything we can to protect them at this challenging time."

Your Health – Which exercise?

WORDS BY
CLAIRE SHORT

Did you take my advice? Did you pick an exercise routine that was appropriate for your age and fitness levels? Or did you do what a lot of other people have done and take on something that was too much?

We've had our first Joe Wicks injuries this week, so we're guessing that there are a few people currently doing the wrong workout, or not warming up beforehand. It doesn't matter whether you are 8 years old or 89. There are online exercise programmes for everyone. So how do you choose?

The most obvious thing is to watch one in advance. Think about what sort of exercise you want to do. Grab a cup of tea and watch one all the way through. If it looks too hard, it probably is. If it looks a bit challenging, then maybe that's okay. If it's a kids' PE session and you're a marathon runner, pull your



socks up and pick something harder!

Also, think about supporting the locals who are putting stuff online for you. Here are a few of the local classes you can watch online:

- Yoga – Yoga Local
- Pilates – Powerhouse Pilates and Northants Pilates
- Gyms – 4mation Fitness, Anytime Fitness and

- Corpus Conditioning
 - Tai Chi – Rising Spirit
 - Middle Eastern Dance – Fusion Dance Fitness
- Top Tip: If you're a beginner, use our easy movement snacks on Facebook to get started. It's really important to keep moving, but even more important to avoid injury! Have an appropriately active week!

Claire Short is a Registered Osteopath, and runs The Ashgrove Clinic in Higham Ferrers. Send your questions to claire@ashgrovehealth.co.uk or Tweet to @AshgroveClinic

10 tips to **improve** your child's wellbeing in a time of crisis



It's Mental Health Awareness Week and here is some general advice aimed at parents and their children.

The theme of this year's Mental Health Awareness Week (18th-24th May) is kindness. At this time of upheaval, when our worlds have been turned upside down, acts of kindness now are more important than ever. Here, former primary school teacher Catherine Lynch of leading education resources and lesson planning experts PlanBee shares 10 tips for parents to improve the mental health of their children.

1. Create a nurturing environment where everyone feels valued and safe

Even during lockdown, we need connection with others so that we feel valued and safe. While the need may be innate, the skill of developing and maintaining connections is learned. You can create this environment at home by working as a team, sharing responsibilities and making sure everyone's efforts are appreciated. Think about ways your family is looking out for each other and remember that showing appreciation and keeping the lines of dialogue open consistently will help your children learn these skills.

2. Adjust your expectations

We are in a very strange time. Adults and children alike have been affected by changes to their lives and as a result things we used to be able to cope with might feel like huge mountains to climb. We all have something called a window of tolerance. If your window is smaller than usual at the moment, go easy on yourself and take the pressure off. Allow yourself and your children to be less productive than normal, and give yourselves time to process what you are feeling.

3. Allow everyone to have a voice

So much of our lives has been turned upside down. It is totally normal to want to feel in control and to

hold on tightly to the things we can control. Whether your child breaks down over the 'wrong' colour socks or something else, see what practical choices you can give them to help them feel they have some control. Depending on their age, you might give them a few carefully selected choices to choose from or have an open discussion about the options available.

If transitions are hard for your child, focus on what is happening when the current activity ends. Give them time warnings or a timer if they are old enough, and again where possible give them choices. For example, "When this TV show ends, the TV is being turned off and you need to do some school work. Are you going to do it at the kitchen table, in your room or somewhere else?"

4. Be playful and have fun

Play fosters creativity, collaboration and problem solving, all of which are important for good mental health. Playing is a fantastic way to develop relationships and resilience. It also releases feel-good hormones. A great example of the power of play is the first few years of children's lives when they learn so much without any formal teaching. Children often explore areas they are finding challenging through their play; roleplay is a great example of this.

5. Create an atmosphere where all feelings are allowed

Name feelings and emotions as they arise. This gives children and adults the language to describe how they are feeling.

Set aside a calm time to talk about feelings, you could show your children Photo Emotions Cards and ask them to pick one to explore. Talk about the physical sensations the emotion has for each of you. Talk about times you felt it, or characters in books,

films or TV shows experienced it. Discuss what happened before, during and after the emotion was felt. Is there a better way the character could have reacted? What led up to the crisis point?

Help children to give their feelings an appropriate outlet. Put boundaries in place around behaviours to keep everyone safe and develop strategies to help reinforce those boundaries. For example, you are allowed to feel happy, angry or sad, you are not allowed to break things or hit.

6. Read stories together

Spend time together and lose yourselves in a good book. Act out stories and make up your own narratives. Use your imagination or add props. Let books take you where you cannot physically go.

7. Keep some level of structure in the day

This does not mean you need to timetable every second of every day. Being in lockdown can make the days merge into one. Use activities or responsibilities to break up the time and bring some structure to it. For example, agree times that you will come together as a family. Agree a time that is for quiet activities, work, going outdoors. If your family is anything like mine you may find the daily structure seems to centre on food.

8. Take learning outside

Go on 'I spy challenge walks', find out how

exercise changes their heart rate, have timed races, explore shadows, find mini-beasts, classify animals, identify plants and identify birds. The list is endless. These do not have to be structured planned activities, go outside and develop observational skills and see where the time takes you. Follow your child's lead, see what they have questions about and research the answers together.

9. Give your child a safe space they can go to

Being at home together all the time can be quite intense. Create a den or something similar for your child to play in, and retreat to when they want to be alone.

10. Make time for family time

Designate time each week when there are no screens and no distractions. Use this time to work on something together. This might be building a den, cooking, painting, crafting, going on a walk. It doesn't matter what the activity is; the important thing is to spend some quality stress-free time connected doing something together. Success has different guises, have a day where you forget about the end goal and the focus is on being together.

Catherine Lynch is a former primary school teacher who now works for leading education resources and lesson planning experts PlanBee.

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find a list below of local resources whether you need help with shopping, errands, advice, or just a friendly voice

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Oundle Baptist Church 07716 915972

Volunteer Action Oundle 01832 275433 (Mon - Fri 9am - 1pm)

Northamptonshire Mental Health Support 0300 330 1011

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Notice of planning APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Notice is given that the following applications have been received:

> BRIGSTOCK

20/00435/FUL (09/06/2020)

(CA) Single storey rear extension at 27 Back Lane Brigstock. Applicant: Mrs C Evans

> DEENE

19/01219/OUT (15/06/2020) *

(EIA) Revised/Additional Information Received: Application for outline planning permission with all matters reserved except for means of access in relation to the highway access from the A43 and means of access and landscaping in respect of the causeway crossing from Zone 1, for the development of a mixed use urban extension to include; residential development of up to 3,500 dwellings (C3), up to 1,000m2 of A1-A5, D1 and D2 uses within two local centres, up to 1,000m2 of D1/D2 (community building/ changing rooms uses), two primary schools (D1), a 0.5 hectare reserve site in Zone 3 for flexible land use (education or informal open space), green infrastructure including formal and informal open space, wildlife corridors, landscaping, allotments/ orchards and play areas, primary street and pedestrian and cycle network including diversions to existing PROWs, connections to the surrounding highway, sustainable urban drainage network, utilities and transport infrastructure and any necessary groundworks and demolition, and extension to Local Wildlife Sites at Priors Hall Site Kirby Lane Deene. Applicant: Mr N Wakefield - Urban and Civic Corby Ltd

> EASTON-ON-THE-HILL

20/00471/FUL (09/06/2020) (CA)

Replacement two storey rear extension;

replacement of garage and outbuilding with single storey extension and connecting link at 21 Church Street Easton On The Hill. Applicant: Mr and Mrs Chapman

> HIGHAM FERRERS

20/00450/FUL (09/06/2020)

(CA) Change of Use of Offices to 3 Flats including parking and amenity spaces (incorporates 15A Westfields Terrace and part of 30 High Street) at 15 Westfields Terrace Higham Ferrers. Applicant: Irthlingborough Pension Fund - Mr Langley

> KINGS CLIFFE

20/00492/FUL (09/06/2020)

(CA) Two storey detached dwelling with parking facilities, and demolition of stone out house (Re-submission of 20/00154/ FUL) at 82 West Street Kings Cliffe. Applicant: Mr Garry Norris

> LUTTON

20/00458/FUL (09/06/2020)

(CA) Single storey rear and side extensions to dwelling; detached triple garage with home office over at Milton House Main Street Lutton. Applicant: Mr and Mrs Hind

20/00459/FUL (09/06/2020)

(CA) Proposed Stable Block at Milton House Main Street Lutton. Applicant: Hind

> NASSINGTON

20/00473/LBC (09/06/2020)

(LB) Internal alterations and new staircase at 53 Station Road Nassington. Applicant: Mr Nick Smith

20/00490/VAR (09/06/2020)

(CA) Variation of condition 5 pursuant to 09/00663/FUL dated 24.7.09 - to change

to long term rental accommodation from five self-contained holiday units at Frog Hall 27 Northfield Lane Nassington. Applicant: Mr and Mrs A Codman

> OUNDLE

20/00448/FUL and 20/00526/LBC

(09/06/2020) (CA/LB) Amendments to the roof of an outbuilding workshop located at the back of the property. The new roof will consist of a glazed roof light with Sika Sarnafil roof. Currently the roof is made of corrugated PVC. At 3 Shops Flat and Land to South Road 10 West Street Oundle. Applicant: Ronald Bateman

20/00502/FUL (09/06/2020) (CA)

Extend existing almshouses in garden to form two new almshouses at one end and an accessible toilet adjacent to the garden room; Extend car park to provide six additional car parking spaces at 24 North Street Oundle. Applicant: Mr Graham Sands

> RAUNDS

20/00495/PNT (09/06/2020)

(GPDO) Mast and supporting equipment at Grass Verge In Between 1 Titty Ho and Grove Street Titty Ho Raunds. Applicant: EE Limited

> RUSHDEN

20/00479/FUL (09/06/2020)

(CA) Change of use from mixed retail and residential use into a single dwelling house at 24 Griffith Street Rushden. Applicant: Mrs Harjinder Kaur

> THRAPSTON

20/00472/LBC (09/06/2020) (LB)

New front door in an existing archway at 9

Chancery Lane Thrapston. Applicant: Mr Ryan Lander

> WOODFORD

20/00389/FUL (09/06/2020) (CA)

Demolition of existing outbuildings and erection of detached triple garage at 6 Addington Road Woodford. Applicant: Bob Lockley

The reason for applications being advertised is as follows:

EIA – Publicity for planning application accompanied by an Environmental Statement under Article 15 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (as amended);
LB – Publicity for listed building consent/ planning application affecting the setting of a listed building under regulation 5/5a of the Listed Buildings and Conservation Area Regulations 1990 (as amended);
CA – Publicity for planning application which may affect the character and appearance of a Conservation Area under regulation 5a of the Listed Buildings and Conservation Area Regulations 1990 (as amended);
GPDO – Publicity for prior notification application in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended).

Only applications required by legislation to be published in a local

paper are listed above. You can view the full weekly list of applications received along with application documents, plans and environmental statements on our website.

* Due to Covid-19, the additional information/amended environmental statement for application 19/01219/OUT cannot currently be viewed at the Council offices. The information can be viewed online and alternatively, hard copies will be sent out to members of the public on request. Please email planning@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk to request a copy.

Comments on applications should be submitted in writing (by the date shown in brackets for each application) via the website, by email to planning@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk, or by letter to: Planning Services, Council Offices, Cedar House, Cedar Drive, Thrapston, Northamptonshire, NN14 4LZ.

Please note: In the case of a householder or minor commercial application, in the event of an appeal proceeding by way of the expedited procedure, any representations made about the application will be passed to the Secretary of State and there will be no opportunity to make further representations.

Paul Bland, Head of Planning Services
-16.05.2020

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

From the CHAIRMAN

This really is the last column I will write as Chair of ENC as the AGM is now rescheduled as a virtual meeting for 13th May. Who would have thought when we celebrated the New Year that our lives would be overtaken by the virus.

WORDS BY CLLR DUDLEY HUGHES

I was pleased that ENC was able to distribute another £200,000 to community projects in the District through our Communities Facilities Fund. These funds, together with councillors' empowerment money, can make a real difference to local projects and facilities.

The photo was taken before lockdown, at a briefing for the Chowns Mill roundabout improvements and work has carried on there, which should make a great

improvement to the A45.

We will be remembering VE Day on Friday 8th May and the sacrifices made by so many. My mother watched my father go into the army in 1943 not knowing whether she would ever see him again. In 1945 she had an urgent telegram to go to Chester where he was dangerously ill in hospital. He recovered but was medically discharged from the army; all the others on his officer training course were sent to Italy but the plane they were in was shot down and they were all killed.

There are so many stories

of the cost of war, from those in the services and those on the home front. It was all so we could have a vote in a free democracy, something we should treasure.

Keeping isolated has been a sacrifice and we are grateful for those who have worked tirelessly in our NHS but also those who have kept our society going: it would be invidious to name them for there are so many seen and unseen but we are grateful to them all.

My best wishes to all the residents of East Northamptonshire – stay safe.



Wildlife NEWS



**WORDS BY
ROY BURRELL**

The recent unexpected, unprecedented and unwanted visit from the virus inevitably affected the lifestyles not only of humans but also animal populations (plants as well, though changes usually take rather longer to show themselves). By an odd coincidence the effects showed up differences in the way that the two kingdoms, human and wildlife,

treat their natural surroundings.

The problem of fly-tipping has reared its ugly head, with considerable amounts of rubbish appearing in open areas just off the beaten track; some may, given time, disappear slowly by attack from some animal species and weather, but large amounts of non-rotting substances will find no natural breakdown, and those items could be around in our environment for, in extreme cases, hundreds of years.

Nature has managed things far

better. This time of year is very busy round our lakes and hedges; debris lying around might be built into nests; trimmings of giving birth (like eggshells) could be taken away to avoid tell-tale signs to attract predators, food wrappings (shells, skins) must be cleaned up – yet there are few signs of anything like a rubbish tip other than what we humans bring in and leave instead of taking away with us. Instead the balance is tipped even further towards the wild residents because

they find a menu all in one place (both official and unofficial), and by chance they do us a favour at the same time.

Our countryside is full of animals and plants which have learned to live in balance with their neighbours and also clear up the rubbish which those neighbours have left. The trouble comes when that balance is upset by newcomers, either synthetic or natural. For example, many wildlife-friendly areas have thriving populations of muntjac, to

the delight of walkers but not always local farmers and landowners, yet they are incomers interfering in the countryside and occasionally over-large populations need their own clean-up; as much a nuisance or eyesore as the ugly and dangerous piles of fly-tipped rubbish.

So whatever causes the damage or danger should be our target; most of us responded positively to the pandemic, but other problems will not go away unless we each play our part.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (CHURCH ROAD, HARGRAVE)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2020

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Church Road, Hargrave as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of Church Road, Hargrave from Elm Close to outside Rectory View.

FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during new water connection.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 18th May 2020 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen 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 road will be restricted until 20th May 2020.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use B645, B663, Hargrave Road, Raunds Road and Church Street.

Dated this 16th day of May 2020
DEBBIE CARTER-HUGHES
Executive Director LGSS Law Ltd
PKG/T20/176

If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp ref:- 20/21 – N026 on 01604 883400.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (ALDWINCLE ROAD, THORPE ACHURCH & THORPE ROAD, ALDWINCLE)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2020

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along those lengths of Aldwincle Road, Thorpe Achurch and Thorpe Road, Aldwincle as set out below.

LENGTHS OF ROADS TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: Those lengths of Aldwincle Road, Thorpe Achurch and Thorpe Road, Aldwincle from entrance to 5 Aldwincle Road to entrance to Dryden House.

FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during bridge repairs.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 25th May 2020 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen 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 road will be restricted until 24th May 2020.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use A605, Pilton Road, Lilford Road, Oundle Road, Wadenhoe Road, Pilton Road, Aldwincle Road, Wadenhoe Road and Main Street.

Dated this 16th day of May 2020
DEBBIE CARTER-HUGHES
Executive Director LGSS Law Ltd
PKG/T20/189

If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp ref:- 20/21 – N045 on 01604 883400.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (PILTON ROAD, WADENHOE)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2020

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Pilton Road, Wadenhoe as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of Pilton Road, Wadenhoe from Main Street to Pudding Lane.

FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during installation of new water connection.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 25th May 2020 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen 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 road will be restricted until for up to three days.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use Oundle Road, Wadenhoe Road, Pilton Road, Wadenhoe Road, The Green and Main Street.

Dated this 16th day of May 2020
DEBBIE CARTER-HUGHES
Executive Director LGSS Law Ltd
PKG/T20/187

If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp ref:- 20/21 – N040 on 01604 883400.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (BACK LANE, LITTLE ADDINGTON)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2020

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 traffic from proceeding along that length of Back Lane, Little Addington as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of Back Lane, Little Addington from the junction of High Street to The Green.

FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during service repair.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 3rd June 2020 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen 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 road will be restricted for three days.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use High Street.

Dated this 16th day of May 2020
DEBBIE CARTER-HUGHES
Executive Director LGSS Law Ltd
PKG/T20/192

If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp ref:- 20/21 – N050 on 01604 883400.

Ivory-tinklers, horn-blowers, warblers, box-squeezers and strummers – **send Nenescape your tunes!**

Nenescape is gathering music of all genres inspired by places in the Nene Valley.

Nenescape Landscape Partnership Scheme is calling for pieces of music and songs inspired by the places in the Nene Valley to create a book of songs. In partnership with Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust and funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund, Nenescape will be launching a community songbook.

In November 2017, a 25-minute piece of music, 'Nene', was performed by over 1,500 local young people at the Royal Albert Hall, Derngate in Northampton and Peterborough Cathedral. It has since been rearranged by composer Benjamin Till into nine short sections for community choirs and singing groups to perform, and it is now available for free and in full on

Nenescape's website.

The pieces follow the flow of the river downstream, starting at its source at Badby and ending where the River Nene meets the sea at the Wash. While so many of us are spending much more time at home, Nenescape is calling for composers and music writers of all genres to record their musical creations and send them in.

From classical to pop rock to folk, the type of music or instrument does not matter, and the team would love to hear from people who have never written music before or have been writing for decades. What matters is that the music is inspired by a place in the Nene Valley, so get creative and write your own 'Northampton Number', 'Oratorio for Oundle' or

'Rushden Rap'.

As so many of us are now exploring our local area more, take time to get inspired by the wildlife, plants and trees you see,

as well as the River Nene. If you're unable to head out and about, visit www.900voicesofthenene.co.uk to see an archive of hundreds of photos, stories, videos and more that is sure to

get your creativity flowing. Benjamin Till will choose a winning entry, which will feature on the Nenescape website and all entries will be shared on social media.



Please visit the Nenescape website at www.nenescape.org for more information about this and other things to do in lockdown or contact Nenescape's Interpretation and Community Engagement Officer, Alison Brand-Barker at alison@nrnp.org. See the very latest news on social media @nenescape

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