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## NEWS IN BRIEF

### ENCs NEEDS YOU!

East Northants Community Services' primary need is at their homeless accommodation in Duck Street, Rushden. They are looking for individuals who can volunteer some time on a weekend day (it does not have to be every weekend) and individuals who can do evenings from 4pm onwards.

They would also like to hear from anyone who can do collections from supermarkets late evenings and in the mornings, including picking up, dropping off and putting items away.

If you are a non-judgmental, passionate, empathetic individual who wants to help those who have been rough sleeping, please email ENCS on [rushdenhomeless@encs.org.uk](mailto:rushdenhomeless@encs.org.uk) or call 01933 312736.



## New leader and executive selected for North Northamptonshire Council

*The leader of the newly created North Northamptonshire Council has been formally announced as Cllr Jason Smithers following the first annual meeting of the authority.*

The meeting, which was held on Wednesday 26th May at Kettering Conference Centre, also saw Cllr Helen Howell declared as Deputy Leader of the council.

Cllr Smithers has also selected the council's first Executive, which provides strategic leadership to the authority.

The Executive team (and its portfolios) comprises:

- Leader of the Council, Councillor Jason Smithers
- Sport, Leisure, Culture and Tourism, Councillor Helen Howell (Deputy Leader)

- Adults, Health and Wellbeing, Councillor Helen Harrison
- Children, Families, Education and Skills, Councillor Scott Edwards
- Climate and Green Environment, Councillor Harriet Pentland
- Finance and Transformation, Councillor Lloyd Bunday
- Growth and Regeneration, Councillor Steven North
- Highways, Travel and Assets, Councillor Graham Lawman
- Housing and Community, Councillor Andy Mercer
- Rural Communities and Localism,

Councillor David Howes  
Cllr Jason Smithers said: "I'm honoured to have been selected by the Conservative group as leader of this new council and voted in at its first general meeting. It's also been a privilege to be able to select its first ever Executive.

"North Northamptonshire is my home and I'm committed to leading the council in bringing real change to this area and creating the quality of services which will bring improvements to everyone's lives.

"The journey to the new unitary authorities has been a long one

particularly against the background of the global pandemic which has been so tremendously difficult for all of us.

"However I think the residents of North Northamptonshire as well as staff and Members at the new authority have already shown tremendous resilience, which is a positive indication of what we can expect for the future.

"I'm determined to bring increased prosperity to the council area while at the same time ensuring we keep the vulnerable safe, protect the environment and ensure that the quality of people's lives continues to improve."

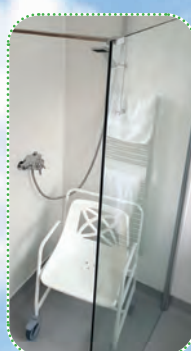
Cllr Paul Bell has been selected as the council's first Chairman, a largely ceremonial role including chairing full council meetings, and representing the area at civic functions and events.

Cllr Paul Bell said: "I'm delighted to have been chosen as the first Chairman of the council – it's truly an honour to have this historic role and I very much look forward to the next 12 months."



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# WILDLIFE NEWS

WORDS BY  
ROY BURRELL

Some sounds in the animal kingdom are loud and noisy as territories are fought over, and we hear the sounds of battles being fought; then, as we know, comes the busy period and the hedges go quiet again.

Yet on calm, quiet days there is a background hum coming not from single individuals but from the combined efforts of literally millions of wings; the flying insects have arrived, and in particular the bees.

That gentle, often unnoticed, buzz seems to invite our eyes to close, especially if the sun is shining in a gentle whispering wind (yes, it does happen, even in the worst of summers!). Little will happen earlier in the day as the sun's rays warm up the insects' bodies, but later there comes a burst of energy, as if they were on overtime to catch up.

We all know what a bee looks like, thinking perhaps there are two or more kinds – domestic honeybees producing honey and "the others", some of them bigger than the honeybees, but there are many more. The largest ones get the label of bumble bee, with 20 or more species in fields and margins. They are slow fliers (some with coloured

stripes helping identification) and their staggering flight earned them a place in our language with "bumbling along" for someone whose sense of direction can look more unpredictable than the result of last night's party.

Some species have specialised lifestyles, including leaf-cutter bees (chewing plant leaves as food for freshly hatched young), or mason bees finding nest-spots in walls (what did they do before cement?), and even mining bees digging dark underground tunnels.

But they are vital to producing the next generation of most plants, by bringing together the male and female parents' parts – winds may spread pollen around, but often it must be moved from one flower part to the next. Bees do that job; the plant produces tempting nectar, bees brush against the flower, knocking down the yellow dusty pollen inside, and the job is done.

We must use fields and gardens (ploughing, feeding, protecting, etc.) to preserve flowers, and therefore bees, in their job to continue the harvests we need for our food.

# GENEALOGY JOTTINGS

WORDS BY  
JAN PEARSON

Do you remember last time that I mentioned transcriptions? A word of caution: the original could be open to misinterpretation. Therefore, a badly written name on the original might be transcribed as a 'best guess' by the transcriber. Even if you are making notes from originals in a Record Office, it is possible to become unstuck.

Years ago, I was in the Suffolk RO in Ipswich, happily noting down masses of baptisms, marriages and burials from the Theberton Parish Registers. Then it dawned on me: there were far too many names for there to be just one family – the gaps between births were unrealistic, for instance. Going back over the originals, I realised that the handwriting of the Parish Clerk back in the 1700s was not as clear as I first thought. I was researching the surname Bailey. However, there was also a family by the name of Barley and the records showed a very rushed letter 'r' so that it just looked like an 'i' but without the dot over it. Back to the beginning I went...

So, bearing this in mind, if you are looking for an ancestor online, but cannot find them, it is always worth using 'wildcards'. This is where you insert a \* in place of a letter, or series of letters. Even on a first name, things might not be as you thought. An ancestor named Louise might be recorded as Louisa, and so not appear when you search for her under Louise. Using this as an example, you could then try Louis\*. One interesting name that I was researching recently was Threackall. It also appeared as Threacall and Threecale – amongst others.

Over time, you learn these tricks but the key is to think laterally and not have the blinkers on. People read things differently and, if you take a peek at the 'Ask the Experts' section of my forum (details at the bottom of this article) you will see that quite often a second opinion is sought.

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Ride+Stride is the foremost annual fun fundraising event to help preserve churches and chapels and keep them active in our communities, as well as a great day out for all ages. This year's Ride+Stride event will take place on **Saturday 11th September, 10am-6pm.**

Some participants challenge themselves to visit as many churches as they can by their chosen mode of transport. Others prefer a more leisurely approach, visiting fewer churches and taking more time at each.

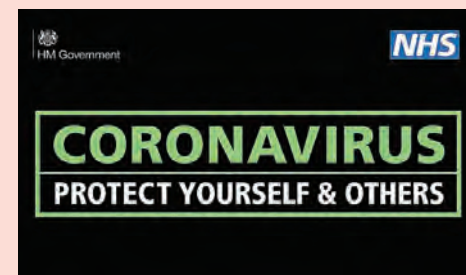


Perfect for cyclists, joggers and walkers – a couple of people have even used vintage cars! There is no age limit – it is a great family activity and you plan your own route. Churches are usually open from 10am to 6pm although there are some that close earlier.

Sponsorship money will be divided between Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust and the church chosen by you.

More details are available at [www.nhct.org.uk/index.php/bicycle\\_ride](http://www.nhct.org.uk/index.php/bicycle_ride) or from Liz Doherty on 07713396130, [emdoherty@sky.com](mailto:emdoherty@sky.com)

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# SPRING CLEAN ALONG THE A14

The weather might have been more like winter but North Northamptonshire Council has been busy doing a spring clean of the verges on the

side of the A14.

In a 10-day period, the authority collected the equivalent of 1,560 bags of rubbish, 21 lorry tyres, three car

tyres and various road signs.

Starting on 14th May the council introduced one-lane overnight closures on sections of the A14 from the Huntingdonshire Border, past Thrapston and along towards Kettering.

Cllr Harriet Pentland, the council's Executive Member for Climate and Green Environment, said: "I know from my many conversations with local residents that none of us like to see litter strewn along our major and rural roads. It harms the environment and looks unsightly.

"I continue to appeal to drivers not to allow litter to be thrown from your vehicle. It is an offence and detracts from the beauty of our area. Littering our roads also endangers the lives of our staff who carry out the litter picks at the taxpayers' expense.

"Please keep your litter in your vehicle and place it in a bin when you arrive at your destination."



## NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR COUNCIL'S REFUSE COLLECTION SERVICE

*The refuse and recycling team which covers the Corby and Kettering area has been shortlisted for a national award.*

Covering the former Corby and Kettering borough council areas, now under North Northamptonshire Council, the team has reached the finals in the Best Performer in Refuse Collection category of the Association of Public Service Excellence (APSE) Performance Networks Awards.

The awards, which show the commitment of teams to continually improve service and performance levels, are based on operational data, which is assessed against a range of indicators, including cost, quality, workforce development and value-for-money. The data is independently verified for accuracy and

integrity following an initial assessment.

Cllr Graham Lawman, Executive Member for Highways, Travel and Assets, said: "I know how much people value a reliable collection service and I'm delighted that this hard-working team has been shortlisted for these prestigious industry awards.

"Nomination is recognition itself: the team have worked extremely hard to deliver a high-quality service to the residents within the boroughs of Corby and Kettering.

"Now with the formation of the new unitary authority of North Northamptonshire Council, this tremendous accolade sets the bar high

for the quality of services that we want to provide for residents."

Over the past 10 years the team has been identified as a finalist in the Best Performer category for nine consecutive years, while, in four of those years, they also made the shortlist as Most Improved Performer.

The team have been winners of the Best Performer category four times, with three of those awards in the past three years.

The awards are designed to recognise frontline services, delivered to local communities, by local councils. The results will be announced in June at a virtual ceremony.

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## LOCAL CHARITY SEEKS NEW WELL-BEING HUB PREMISES

With three years' Lottery Community Funding, and a year's Public Health Funding in place, and following more than 12 months of negotiations, Northampton based charity Pink Rooster has been left without a new home and vital town centre wellbeing hub. This follows a last-minute withdrawal by Northampton Grosvenor Centre management of a long-standing offer of premises to open a much-needed community wellbeing hub in the town centre.

CEO David Maxwell said: "We have been in negotiations with the Grosvenor Centre for over year now with promises of a number of different vacant units, with the added promise of cash support to help fit out our new community wellbeing hub and retail space.

"Up to 26th May we were ready, as we were led to believe, to take occupancy within the next month or so of 35 Princess Walk and to open to the public as soon as possible following the lifting of Covid restrictions.

"We were told the next day by the Grosvenor Centre that the offer had been withdrawn owing to an unprecedented demand for commercial clients to occupy all of the Grosvenor Centre's vacant units, leaving us with the only option of a rather run-down shop unit with no toilet and a significant cost to bring the unit up to standard, which we simply cannot afford as a charity with limited resources.

"This has now left us stunned but more importantly without premises to open our much-needed wellbeing hub to support the communities of Northampton.

"The hub would have supported employment, work experience and volunteering opportunities for local people as well as events and sessions designed to support the increasing mental health and wellbeing needs of our communities as we emerge from the crisis of Covid.

"Whilst we fully appreciate that commercial considerations will often take priority for some businesses, especially in these difficult times, our priority now is to find new premises as soon as possible and deliver on the promise we made to our communities.

"We are putting out an urgent plea to any agents or landlords locally who would like to support our hub, and have vacant premises to please get in touch and we can tell them more about our project."

Andrea Svajcsik, Pink Rooster's Deputy Chief Executive said: "Our proposed new innovative hub and retail space is a first for Northampton, and a great opportunity to engage and bring the community together. Our aim is to improve the mental wellbeing of local residents and to provide a much-needed boost to the communities of Northamptonshire in what has been a dark time for many of us.

"We have been working tirelessly to bring comfort and support to many local residents and communities and being fully embedded in our community is key to how we operate and, with the support of our local communities, our funders and partners we have a really valuable asset that we can bring to the town. It would be a great loss to the town if we could not open soon, as planned, for the sake of finding suitable premises."

## YOUR HEALTH – PLANTING

WORDS BY  
CLAIRE SHORT

Not every gardening activity is as painful or frustrating as using my nemesis, the lawnmower, but there are a few things that can cause pain. And we need to discuss them as they're a bit sneaky.

One of the biggest problems for gardeners is the bending forward and staying in that position. With weeding this is unavoidable (though maybe we'll challenge that thought in my next article), but if you're planting seedlings the clever thing to do is to get an old table you can use as a planting table.

This means you can plant seeds, organise trays, re-pot and write labels at a sensible height. Even with a table though, it's easy to slip into old habits; most of us weight-bear more on one leg than the other, or rotate more to one side than the other, and you're bound to start doing that while you've got your fingers in the compost.

So even if you've got a table, it's important to have a chat with yourself every now and then about how you're standing and moving. Sure, your legs won't drop off if you're simply putting more weight onto one side, but further up the body you're bound to be causing an unnecessary repetitive strain.

Of course, when it comes to planting out, you



do have to bend down as plants don't seem to do too well if you just drop them from elbow height and leave them where they fall. But if you've done your pots on a table you'll have fewer repetitive strains bothering you when it comes to planting out.

So have a look for a tatty old table and give your back a bit of a rest.

And good luck this week – the current weather means you can practically hear the grass growing. Be careful with that awful mowing machine!

Have a green-fingered week!

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## North Northamptonshire Council

**Notice is given that the following applications have been received by North Northamptonshire Council – Thrapston Office together with the last date for making representations:**

### > LOWER BENEFIELD

To erect a sheep shelter in agricultural field on existing concrete slab at Lower Farm Barn Main Street Lower Benefield Peterborough Northamptonshire PE8 5AF (Info) (LB/CA) (Info) NE/21/00700/FUL (6 July 2021)

### > FOTHERINGHAY

Single storey rear extension; retention and replacement of a number of UPVC windows including an exterior door at Orchard Cottage Main Street Fotheringhay Peterborough Northamptonshire PE8 5HZ (Info) (LB/CA) (Info) NE/21/00804/FUL (6 July 2021) (LBRegs) (Info) NE/21/00805/LBC (6 July 2021)

### > RUSHDEN

Construction of 3 bedroom detached bungalow with associated landscaping and car parking provision at Land To The Rear Of 23 - 25 St Marys Avenue Rushden Northamptonshire (Info) (Part3) (Info) NE/21/00784/FUL (6 July 2021)

Removal of the existing individual lettering, existing masonry to be made good on completion; Removal of existing ATM with installation of new glazing and timber framing to match existing on completion at Barclays Bank College Street Rushden Northamptonshire NN10 0QQ (LB/CA) (Info) NE/21/00797/FUL (6 July 2021)

Reserved matters: appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale pursuant to 19/01107/OUT: Erection of 2 No Dwellings with associated parking and amenity space (All matters reserved except access) dated 20.06.2019 at Part Nursery Garden Spencer Road Rushden Northamptonshire (Info) NE/21/00807/REM (6 July 2021)

### > TWYWELL

New detached dwelling within the grounds of an existing builder's yard (Revised submission to 20/01694/FUL) at 2 Launde Cottages The Lawns Twywell Kettering Northamptonshire NN14 3AH (LB/CA) (Info) (Part3) (Info) NE/21/00830/FUL (6 July 2021)

Replace windows and casements to dwelling; repair, repoint and replace pantiles to outbuildings and stabilise floors; replace link roof at Home Farm House Lower Street Twywell Kettering Northamptonshire NN14 3AH (LB/CA) (Info) (LBRegs) (Info) NE/21/00814/LBC (6 July 2021)

### > HARGRAVE

Conversion of an agricultural building to one residential dwelling at Brickworks Farm Church Street Hargrave Northamptonshire NN9 6BW (Info) (Part3) (Info) NE/21/00791/FUL (6 July 2021)

Installation of Air Source Heat Pump heating system, where heat pump has to be located within 1 metre of boundary at The Garden Cottage Church Street Hargrave Northamptonshire NN9 6BW (Info) (LB/CA) (Info) NE/21/00652/FUL (6 July 2021)

Erection of residential dwelling (Revised submission to 20/01358/FUL) at Grange Farm Church Road Hargrave Wellingborough Northamptonshire NN9 6BQ (Info) (Part3) (Info) NE/21/00732/FUL (6 July 2021)

### > ACHURCH

Install new rooflight into existing flat roof at School House Church Lane Achurch Peterborough Northamptonshire PE8 5SL (LBRegs) (Info) NE/21/00790/LBC (6 July 2021)

### > HIGHAM FERRERS

18.0m Phase 8 Monopole C/W wrapround Cabinet at base and associated ancillary works at Patenall Way Higham Ferrers Northamptonshire (Info) NE/21/00799/PNT (6 July 2021)

### > OUNDLE

Replacement sashes on the first and second floor of the front elevation at 13 Market Place Oundle Peterborough Northamptonshire PE8 4BA (LBRegs) (Info) NE/21/00820/LBC (6 July 2021)

### > DEENE

Reserved matters approval of (outside of a Key Phase) access, appearance, landscape, layout and scale, in respect of the construction of: strategic foul water sewer; foul water pumping station; surface water drainage infrastructure and spurs; substation, hard and soft landscaping; a leisure route with areas for future play; landscaped amphitheatre; temporary stockpiling of construction materials; and all ancillary works, associated infrastructure and engineering works (details in cover letter) pursuant to 19/01219/OUT: Application for outline planning permission with all matters

# NOTICE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

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**LB/CA - Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990.**  
**LBRegs - Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990.**

**Rob Harbour, Assistant Director, Growth And Regeneration**  
**Dated 12 June 2021**

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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 Northamptonshire NN17 3EJ (Part3) (Info) NE/21/00777/REM (6 July 2021)

### > HARRINGWORTH

Single storey flat roof rear extension; Replacement of rear elevation windows and doors at Fineshade House Wakerley Road Harringworth Corby Northamptonshire NN17 3AH (Info) (LB/CA) (Info) NE/21/00828/FUL (6 July 2021)

**The reason for applications being advertised is as follows:**  
**Part3 - Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 2015.**  
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## HORRIBLE HISTORIES – GORGEOUS GEORGIANS & VILE VICTORIANS

Thursday 24th - Saturday 26th June.

Watch out Wellingborough, Horrible Histories is bringing some famous names to Castle Theatre this June! Admiral Nelson, the Duke of Wellington and Queen Victoria are on their way to star in Horrible Histories – Gorgeous Georgians & Vile Victorians from Thursday 24th to Saturday 26th June as part of a British tour. This hilarious hit show is a gag-filled gallop through two centuries of British history with two amazing actors playing multiple historical roles!

Are you ready to swing with a Georgian king? Can you see eye to eye with Admiral Nelson? Does the Duke of Wellington get the boot? Dare you dance the Tyburn jig? Will you be saved by Florence Nightingale? Find out what a baby farmer did and move to the groove with party Queen Victoria! These are just some of the fascinating characters audiences will discover in this splendiferously funny 65-minute show – history with the nasty bits left in!

Gorgeous Georgians & Vile Victorians is written by Terry Deary and Neal Foster, from Deary's bestselling Horrible Histories books. Terry Deary is the world's bestselling non-fiction author for children and one of the most popular children's authors in the country. He has written 200 books which have been translated into 42 different languages. His 50 Horrible Histories titles have sold over 35 million copies worldwide from China to Brazil!



Birmingham Stage Company is one of the world's top theatre companies for families. As well as 16 years of all the Horrible Histories stage shows, they have also produced the smash-hit productions of Roald Dahl's George's Marvellous Medicine and David Walliams' Awful Auntie, Gangsta Granny and Billionaire Boy.

**The show, performed to a socially distanced audience, will entertain all ages with its hysterical historical journey through the barmiest bits of British history! Perfect entertainment for those aged from 5 to 105! Tickets priced £16 (£14) can be purchased by calling 01933 270 007 or online at [www.castletheatre.co.uk](http://www.castletheatre.co.uk).**



### JUNE

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**Sat 19** Arundel Castle  
**Sat 19** Cromer  
**Sun 20** Great Yarmouth  
**Tue 22** Salisbury Market  
**Fri 25** National Arboretum & Lichfield  
**Fri 25** National Arboretum  
**Sat 26** Hyde Hall Gardens  
**Sun 27** Swanage  
**Tue 29** Windsor Luxury Afternoon Tea Cruise

### JULY

**Sat 3** Llangollen Horse Drawn Boat Trip  
**Sat 3** Llangollen Railway/Classic Transport Show  
**Sun 4** Hunstanton  
**Wed 7** Peter Beales Rose Garden  
**Sat 10** Hampton Court Garden Festival  
**Sun 11** Great Yarmouth - Wheels Festival  
**Tue 13** Bicester Shopping Village  
**Sat 17** Skegness  
**Sun 18** Sheringham  
**Mon 19** Bakewell Market  
**Wed 21** Rutland Belle River Cruise & Oakham  
**Sun 25** Whitby  
**Mon 26** Lake District - Keswick & Windermere  
**Tue 27** Kensington Palace & Knightsbridge  
**Thu 29** Shropshire & Little Switzerland  
**Fri 30** Postal Museum London or London Zoo  
**Sat 31** Southend on Sea

### AUGUST

**Sun 1** Weymouth  
**Tue 3** Black Country Museum or Dudley Zoo  
**Thu 5** Liverpool - Ferry Cross the Mersey  
**Thu 5** Southwold  
**Fri 6** Chester or Chester Zoo  
**Sun 8** Skegness - Carnival Parade  
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**EDINBURGH**  
**Departs: 5th August, 5 Days, £489 per person**

Drymen is located in the beautiful Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park. The park consists of 40 mountains ranging from 2500ft to over 3000ft, 22 lochs, 50 rivers and two forest parks, The Argyll Forest Park and the Queen Elizabeth Forest Park. The Campsie Fells hills to the west are range of volcanic hills which hosts a variety of farmland, open moors, steep-flanked glens, attractive woodland and sparkling burns.

**SEVERN STEAM & CRUISE**  
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# CONSTRUCTION PHASE OF KETTERING'S 'GLaM' PROJECT GETS UNDERWAY

*The project will see improvements and alterations to Kettering's Library, Gallery and Museum.*

**The North Northamptonshire Council scheme secured £3million from the Getting Building Fund, administered by SEMLEP with match-funding from the council. The project, which will provide the community with new and upgraded facilities, flexible events and workshop space, was given planning approval in January this year.**

Kerry Purnell, North Northamptonshire Council Assistant Director of Housing and Communities, said: "GLaM is a significant project for the town. The improvements to this cultural hub will bring a great deal of enjoyment for residents as well as supporting the local economy.

"Cultural-led regeneration is a fundamental element of delivering Kettering Town Centre's vision to be a vibrant place at the heart of the community that is characterful,

distinctive, and fun."

GSSArchitecture is leading on the architectural design to transform the facilities, which will improve a valuable visitor destination for Kettering.

The site will provide a dedicated business support area to expand the existing British Library led Business & IP Centre Northamptonshire, which provides entrepreneurs and small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs) with free access to a wide range of support.

## Kettering Library

Kettering Library will be closed as construction work gets underway. As the buildings are not expected to open until early Spring 2022, the council's library service is preparing to set up a small alternative provision in the town where services to customers can continue to be offered.

Details are still being finalised but customers will be able to access the following locally:

- Quick pick book stock
- Large print and audio books
- Small section of children's stock
- Summer Reading Challenge
- Reservations for titles brought in from other libraries
- Information/referrals/enquiries
- Bus passes
- Blue badge advice and referral

Customers are assured that no overdue charges will be imposed on any items that cannot be returned to Kettering Library.

Customers will also be welcome to use the lending services offered at nearby community run libraries at Desborough, Rothwell and Burton Latimer. The full range of online services will still be

available to all customers.

Further details will be announced once alternative accommodation has been found and services can be resumed in the town.

## Museum and Art Gallery

As part of the next step of the project The Alfred East Art Gallery collection is being securely stored within a fine art specialist storage facility while the capital works take place over the coming months.

The process to move the collection has taken considerable time and professional care, with the collection condition checked,

catalogued and packaged appropriately to ensure safe storage.

The council is extremely fortunate to have a diverse and well regarded local collection which includes works by local artists Sir Alfred East and Thomas Cooper Gotch as well as more contemporary works by Howard Hodgkin, Leon Kossoff and Joan Eardley amongst others.

The collection, which consists of about 900 pieces, will return to the Gallery walls in Spring 2022 when the improved facilities welcome the public back through the doors.

## London Road car park

In order to allow safe access for the contractor, a significant section of the lower and upper London Road car park will be used as a site compound, so availability of spaces will be temporarily reduced.

Visitors to the town centre are encouraged to consider alternative parking at the following car parks:

- Commercial Road, NN16 8DQ
- Wardcroft, NN16 8TH
- School Lane, NN16 0DH
- Queen Street, NN16 0BZ

The Blitz Tea Room and Cornmarket Exchange will be operating as usual.

## VIRTUAL FUNDING FAIR TO BE HELD IN NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

*The Northamptonshire Virtual Funding Fair 2021 will take place via Zoom from Tuesday 15th to Thursday 17th June.*

After a difficult year for community projects, this will be an opportunity for groups from across Northamptonshire to listen to presentations from local and national funders who can help contribute towards community projects in the county.

Across the three days, there will be a variety of funders presenting including the Heritage Lottery, Children in Need and SEMLEP, plus many more organisations who can all help provide much needed funding for projects. Each of the sessions will provide information on how best to

apply for grants, along with a hints and tips presentation.

The Virtual Funding Fair is being organised by North Northamptonshire Council in partnership with the Voluntary Sector 'Northamptonshire Development and Funding Workers Network'.

Cllr Andy Mercer, Executive Member for Housing & Communities at North Northamptonshire Council said: "Now more than ever, community projects are seeking financial boosts to help them

mitigate the impact of the coronavirus pandemic and this virtual funding fair is essential for anyone looking to fund a project who wants to find out more about the opportunities available to them.

"There are plenty of schemes on offer that people may not be aware of, with new schemes appearing all the time, so we would encourage anyone who is considering a project to join us at one, or more, of our sessions between 15th and 17th June."

**All sessions will take place on Zoom and places must be booked in advance by completing the online form at [www.northnorthants.gov.uk/fundingfair21](http://www.northnorthants.gov.uk/fundingfair21)**

## A summer holiday challenge at Stanwick Lakes

To celebrate the 2021 Olympics in Tokyo and their Natureworks project, Rockingham Forest Trust have created The Nature Olympics at Stanwick Lakes!

From 24th July – 8th August families can visit the site and unleash their sporting talents whilst discovering the sports stars of the natural world. A gold medal can be won by completing fun sporting challenges around five different areas of Stanwick Lakes, plus fun activities to get people close to nature.

The activity leaflet costs £2.75 and is available from the Visitor Centre Reception or the Snack Shack takeaway. (One medal for each leaflet sold.)

The Natureworks project celebrates and supports nature bringing it centre stage at Stanwick Lakes. It has been made possible thanks to a grant of £128,000 from the government's £80 million Green Recovery Challenge Fund.

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### > SATURDAY 3RD JULY

#### Newton Bromswold Village Fete

Church Lane, Newton Bromswold

2pm, free admission

Contact: Helen Lines 01933 315864

Usual variety of stalls and games. Afternoon teas will be served. The Children's Fancy Dress competition will be judged at 3.10pm.

**To submit your event please contact us via our website [www.nenevalleynews.co.uk](http://www.nenevalleynews.co.uk) or call 01522 692542. Please supply in the following format: Date, event, place, time, admission fee (if applicable), contact information, 15 word description.**



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## PUBLIC NOTICES

### NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

### NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL (HIGHAM ROAD, STANWICK)

### (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2021

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

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:**  
 That length of Higham Road, Stanwick from opposite Dieren House.

**REASON FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during repairs to comms pipe.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 21st June 2021 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 up to three days.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use A6, Chelveston Road, Higham Road, High Street, Raunds Road, Chelveston Road, The Avenue and High Street.

Dated this 12th day of June 2021  
 DEBBIE CARTER-HUGHES  
 Executive Director LGSS Law Ltd  
 PKG/T21/194

If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp ref:- 20/21 – N066 on 01604 651072.

### NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

### NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL (NEW ROAD, OUNDLE)

### (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that North Northamptonshire 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 New Road, Oundle as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:**  
 That length of New Road, Oundle from Gordon Road to Springfield Road.

**REASON 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 12th July 2021 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 up to three days.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use Glapthorn Road, New Street, Market Place and North Street.

Dated this 12th day of June 2021  
 DEBBIE CARTER-HUGHES  
 Executive Director LGSS Law Ltd  
 PKG/T21/209

If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp ref:- 20/21 – N080 on 01604 651072.

North Northamptonshire Council advises of the following planning appeal:

### TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

**Appeal by Ranger Pigs – Mr R Dean, relating to: Proposal 19/01860/FUL: Retrospective application for permission to retain a single residential dwelling in support of the operation of a free range pig farm (personal permission)**

An Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State will hold a Hearing opening on Tuesday, 22 June 2021, commencing at 10:00.

This will be held as a virtual event, run by the Inspector in the normal way, with the parties invited to join via Microsoft Teams or telephone. The Hearing is currently anticipated as sitting for 1 day, but the duration is not fixed and may change depending on what the Inspector decides needs his/her consideration.

Documents relating to the appeal may be viewed online at <https://publicaccess.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/online-applications/> using the above planning application number.

Anyone wishing to attend the Hearing must make that interest known to the Planning Inspectorate Case Officer Dot Kujawa, 0303 444 5403, email [north2@planninginspectorate.gov.uk](mailto:north2@planninginspectorate.gov.uk) as soon as possible prior to the Hearing either by email or telephone after reading the Hearing Attendance Information (set out below).

### Hearing Attendance Information

Before deciding whether to take an active part in the Hearing, you need to think carefully about the points you wish to make. All written submissions from application and appeal stage will be taken into account by the Inspector. Re-stating the same points won't add any additional weight to them.

If you feel that taking part in the Hearing is right for you in whatever capacity, you can participate in a number of ways:

To take part using video, participants will need to have access to Microsoft Teams (via an app or web browser). This link gives further information: <https://support.office.com/en-gb/teams>. Alternatively, you can take part via telephone. Please note that joining by telephone to the 020 number that will be used will incur charges. You should check actual rates with your provider: <https://www.gov.uk/call-charges>.

If you wish to just observe the event, you should make that clear in your response to the Case Officer.

**If you wish to take an active part in the proceedings, please make it clear in your response to the Case Officer** whether you wish only to appear at the Hearing and make a statement or whether you would also wish to ask questions on particular topics.

If you want to take an active part but feel unable to for any reason, and/or the points you want to make are not covered in the evidence of others, consider whether someone else could raise them on your behalf.

Registered participants in whatever capacity will receive individual joining instructions, providing details of any requirements, guidance and support whether joining by Teams or telephone. You should note that the event may be recorded by the Planning Inspectorate for training and quality assurance purposes.

The decision will be published on <https://www.acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/>.

George Candler  
 Executive Director, Place and Economy

### NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL

### ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 23

### PROVISION OF PARALLEL CROSSING

### GLAPTHORN ROAD, OUNDLE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that North Northamptonshire Council, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 23 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, proposes to introduce a parallel crossing on Glapthorn Road, Oundle as specified in the Schedule below.

Details of the proposal may be inspected on the Council's website at [www.northamptonshire.gov.uk](http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk) and also at Northamptonshire Highways, Brixworth Depot, Old Harborough Road, Brixworth, Northants, NN6 9BX at a time and date specified by appointment only by calling 01604 883445.

Any persons wishing to make any comments regarding this proposal should forward them in writing by 3rd July 2021 to The Traffic Orders Section, Northamptonshire Highways, Highways Depot, Old Harborough Road, Brixworth, NN6 9BX or by email to [Parkinquiries@kierwsp.co.uk](mailto:Parkinquiries@kierwsp.co.uk)

Dated this 12th day of June 2021  
 Ref:- N/363

### SCHEDULE

| Road                   | Location   | Type of crossing  |
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# Oundle Golf Club hosts delayed VE Day anniversary event

On Sunday 9th May, Oundle Golf Club organised a Texas Scramble Golf Competition to raise funds for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

Garry Asbery, Club Captain, was determined that this event take place, albeit a year and day on from the 75th anniversary of VE Day.

The course flags decorated with poppies took on a different look for the event, the poppies being a great

incentive to gain a "hole in one" which one golfer did achieve.

The Club raised £390 and Garry presented the cheque to the Oundle branch of the Royal British Legion which works to support veterans in the local community.

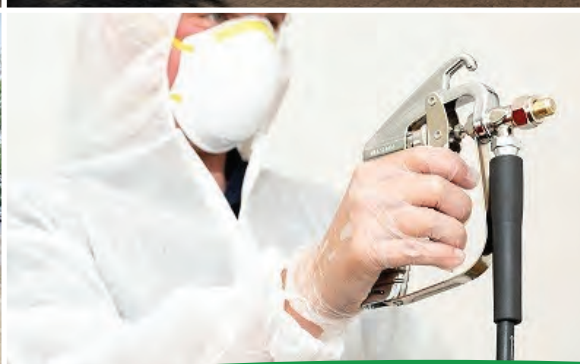
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Setting up of the flags: Garry Asbery, Club Captain Oundle Golf Club



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