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### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

Staying safe in the heat

Here are our top tips for staying safe in hot weather:

- Look out for those who may struggle to keep themselves cool and hydrated
- Stay hydrated
- Avoid travelling at peak times if you can particularly if transporting children, especially babies, or the elderly.
- Stay out of the sun between 11am and 3pm as this is when UV rays are the strongest
- If you have to go out in the heat stay in the shade, apply sunscreen and wear a wide brimmed hat
- Close curtains in rooms that the sun faces
- Never leave anyone in a parked closed vehicle
- Avoid alcohol as it will further dehydrate you
- Sadly accidents, often fatal, happen in water at this time of year, particularly involving youngsters. Make sure you know the RNLI's Float to Live technique
- Unexpectedly cold water or strong currents can catch even experienced swimmers off guard. Look out for signs

of heat exhaustion and heatstroke and follow some common sense behaviours to make the most of what should be a glorious time for most.

## VETERAN SHOW JUDGE HEADING FOR **HIGHAM'S HORTICULTURE EVENT**

Noted Northamptonshire horticultural show judge Nicholas Warliker certainly knows his onions – and his beetroot, carrots, potatoes, plums and petunias...

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Eighty-six-year-old Nicholas has judged vegetables, fruit and flowers for an amazing 47 years and is one of the expert judges who have been called in to cast their eyes over entries in Higham Ferrers Tourism's Horticultural Show at Chichele College on Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th September.

With a wealth of experience – as head gardener to HRH Princess Alice, the Duchess of Gloucester for 25 years, then plant area manager at Podington Garden Centre and the author of a weekly gardening column in the Northampton Evening Telegraph for 25 years – Nicholas was the obvious choice as a judge for Higham's show.

Asked for tips for local show hopefuls, Nicholas said

they should follow the event schedule. "If the programme asks for five apples for instance, entrants should submit five apples, not six... To submit more than the event schedule asks for – or less – is not fair to the other entrants. It's all about following the rules," he said.

Carrots should not be green at the top, or potatoes green near the surface, he also advises. "Growers can enter them, but they will be marked down," he said.

Has he come across anyone cheating over the years – submitting a specimen that they had not personally grown – we wondered? "Yes, all sorts of things can happen, but people who do that are only cheating themselves," Nicholas said.

And if there is ever a section with just one exhibit, it does

not mean the grower will automatically get first prize.

"Judges only award first prize when the exhibit deserves it," he explained.

Higham Ferrers Tourism's Horticultural Show will not be judging exhibits according to any criteria set out by any governing bodies.

"We have an informal system and use the expertise, knowledge and recommendation of our chosen judges to decide our winners," explained Pam Webbley, the event organiser.

Gillian Underwood will also be judging the vegetables, fruit and flowers, while experienced local floral art tutor Diane



Northwood will judge the floral art. Baker extraordinaire Alison Wilkinson will judge the baking, while Suzy Baxter, a prizewinning jam and preserve maker, will judge the preserves.

To find recipes and download entry forms go to highamferrerstourism.org.uk. Copies are also available at the Town Hall. Entry forms must be returned to Pam Webbley at 2 Hind Stile, Higham Ferrers NN10 8EA by 3rd September.

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### WILDLIFE NEWS

### What wildlife memories have you been storing this year?

There are many weeks still to go, but we will all have our own "horror stories" about the days and weeks when very little or no rain fell. As we relax and hopefully "rebuild" our bodies after the high temperatures, out in the fields the energy from the sun is collected in the body of each plant or animal to be used in the next stage of growth, particularly the flowers or prey.

As the summer now gives way to the warmth of September, rather than the fiery blasts of the sun, we will recall the plants and animals which showed themselves during what always feels like the shortness of the 'midsummer season'.

This year has been exceptional, but many of the effects will only be seen in coming years.

There are species in our natural surroundings which look to be in danger and are suffering, possibly needing some assistance from gardeners to improve their survival chances, because weather conditions may vary widely.

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**ROY BURRELL** 

For example we made some additions to our garden plant list which then had to be adjusted to try to meet the requirements of humblebees which had found the conditions (under a wooden shed!) favourable

Some of our visitors were not too happy with the prospect of a colony of these usually quite placid insects out simply to build up the strength of their community.

It is not difficult to work out that with plants and animals, with their different ways of drinking, it is not enough to provide just an occasional drop of water in a tin lid. Obviously a hedgehog will need more fluid than, say, a mouse, or a dandelion.

So when it comes to planning for next year, and as summers are becoming hotter, we should try to cover the needs of a wider range of the millions of species all chasing that supply of the vital liquid.

#### GENEALOGY JOTTINGS **JAN PEARSON** .....

How do you record your census sources? Do you just write "found in 1881 census" for instance or do you quote the full census reference? Those references can be rather confusing at first if you are not sure what they mean, so here is a brief quide:

The census records are classified under the following

iollowing:	
1841	HO107
1851	HO107
1861	RG9
1871	RG10
1881	RG11
1891	RG12
1901	RG13
1911	RG14

### **Census Pieces and Folios**

Knowing the right reference for a census page lets you go straight to that page. But censuses are not referenced by book and page numbers. The references are by Piece and Folio (then page), for example 2422/25/11, or more accurately, RG9 2422/25/11 as the RG9 tells us that it is the 1861 census

A census Piece is a collection of many individual enumerators' books for a district. A census Folio is a sheet within one of those books

Each enumerator had a pre-printed book that he had to fill in. A book may have anything from about 20 sheets up to about 40 (double sided). Those books were collected and were later bound into combined books of 50-200 leaves. It is this combined book that is a census Piece. After binding, the books had the folio number stamped on the upper right corner of every sheet.

So, if you make sure that you have the full census references for your ancestors, you will be able to find them again should you need to check something. Not only that, if you need to flag up an entry to someone else, then they will be able to find it quickly as well. (Oh yes - if you look up the example above of Piece 2422, folio 25, page 11, it will show the Roe family, amongst others, living at Baxton Moor, a hamlet near Whitwell, Derbyshire.)

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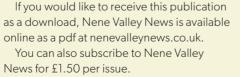
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## **Nene Valley set for** weeklong festival

Organisations across the Nene Valley are working hard on final preparations for the Nene Valley Festival, which returns from 10th to 18th September.

The Nene Valley Festival is now in its 9th year and will feature events at key locations across the Nene Valley from Northampton to Peterborough with a wide range of activities for all ages.

The Festival will kick off with an official launch at Lyveden New Bield from 10.30am on 10th September before a week of activities takes place including a variety of walks (from heritage through to health) across the Valley, alongside theatre and wildlife activities. The week will culminate with a finale event on 17th September at Delapre Abbey



Cllr Helen Howell North Northamptonshire Council's Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Sport, Culture, Leisure and Tourism, said: "It is so exciting that the Nene Valley Festival is now only a month away. The River Nene and the surrounding area

have always been vital to the local economy across the region and I hope that we will see many visitors across the Festival to the area.

"But I would also encourage local residents to get involved as across the week there will be something for everyone.

Full details about the events taking place during the Nene Valley Festival can be found on the Destination Nene Valley website. Follow Destination Nene Valley on Twitter and Facebook for all the latest Festival news.



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### Are your Electoral Registration details up to date? .....

### Canvass forms are hitting doormats across North Northamptonshire so that residents can make sure their voter details are up to date.

The Government recently made efficiencies in how the canvass is conducted. Every household will receive some form of communication, but unlike in previous years, you may not have to respond to the form sent to the property.

Data from the electoral roll is matched against central Government records and North Northamptonshire Council's databases. Properties with a 100% match will receive a letter marked CCA, asking for a response only if the details shown are incorrect. Properties with less than a 100% match will receive a form marked CF, which needs a response regardless if the details shown are correct or not. A pre-paid envelope will be enclosed to help you respond

The annual canvass helps North Northamptonshire Council to update household information on the Electoral Register. The register is used for jury service selection and can have a big impact on your credit score, so being on the register is useful when you apply for a mortgage, take out a loan, or even open a new mobile phone contract. Responding promptly means you will also be ready to vote in any future elections that you are eligible to vote in.

To update your details: Go to www

householdresponse.com and follow the instructions. You will need the two-part security code given on your canvass communication. Adding a name in this way is not a registration, to register any new people at your property they will need to go to www.gov.uk/register-tovote

• If you have received a

Find out more about the annual canvass and registering to vote at www.northnorthants.gov.uk/democracy-elections-and-voting/annual-canvass

Canvass Form you can complete it in pen, sign and

return it by post Rob Bridge, Electoral Registration Officer for North Northamptonshire Council explains: "It's really important that everyone who is entitled to vote is able to do so and the easiest way to do this is to respond online. We've created a short video on our YouTube channel to show how easy it is to check and reply

"It is really important that if your letter asks you to respond that you do it as quickly as possible. It only takes a couple of minutes to do and saves you being contacted by our team who will be in touch by phone or in person if you don't reply."

"If you're not currently registered, your name will not appear in the messages we send but you can easily register online at www.gov.uk/registerto-vote or you can call 01832 742 076.

## **RAUNDS LIBRARY -**A STEP CLOSER TO BEING COMMUNITY MANAGED

North Northamptonshire Council is a step closer to ensuring that a local library remains in Raunds to deliver valuable services to all sections of the community.

The Creating Tomorrow Academy Trust and the **Raunds** Community Library Trust have been selected to run the library in partnership. The lease arrangements will now go back before the council's Executive for final approval.

As part of the council's Community Managed Libraries Programme, the council has been working to find a viable solution to enable the transfer of Raunds Library into community management.

To ensure that the best possible service is secured for the local community going forwards, the council put out a final call for any expressions of interest to take on the running of Raunds Library as a community managed library.

A procurement process and careful evaluation of the business plans submitted has enabled successful providers to be identified

Cllr Helen Howell, North Northamptonshire Council's Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Sport, Leisure, Culture and Tourism, said: "We have been working tirelessly with all concerned to find the best solution and there is every confidence that this outcome will secure the future of Raunds Library. "We're pleased to say

that we had two bids come forward, which shows very positive community engagement.

"I am delighted that the outcome of this very robust process will allow the Raunds Community Library Trust volunteers to continue to run the library in Raunds alongside The Creating Tomorrow Academy Trust, who already have a very successful presence here in North Northamptonshire.

"My sincere thanks to all concerned, particularly to the volunteers who have kept the library running in this interim period and we will continue to offer our support until the position is finalised."

## **UNKNOWN** - A new play about homelessness

The Big Issue Foundation has joined forces with an award-winning theatre company to highlight the ever-growing problem of homelessness in the UK.

**Big Issue Foundation is** delighted to announce that a critically acclaimed theatre production commissioned as part of Big Issue's 30th anniversary celebrations will be staged across the UK during a month-long tour this Autumn and it is coming to The Core at Corby Cube on 4th November.

UNKNOWN – a play about homelessness, which has been created with support from The Arts Council, was developed and produced in partnership with Roughhouse Theatre whose 2021 drama N17 won The National Campaign for The Arts 2021 Best Arts Project Award. Moira Hunt, Director

of Roughhouse Theatre,

describes UNKNOWN as "a deeply compelling drama that tells the painfully true and profoundly moving story of a young man's struggle to survive living on the streets of Britain today." She also believes that it "should be seen by everyone who has ever crossed the road when approaching a homeless person in the street."

First performed as a radio play in October 2020 and developed as a stage drama for a short tour in 2021, UNKNOWN has already received widespread acclaim - including being listed by The Guardian as one its readers' favourite plays of 2020.

"Intimate, extremely moving and wonderful performances." The Guardian

"Harrowing stories eloquently told – all the more shocking because we know them to be true." Filmmaker Ken Loach

"This is a seriously important piece of work that deserves as wide - and as angry – an audience as possible." The Greenwich Visitor

Announcing the forthcoming tour of UNKNOWN, Tracy Griffin, CEO of Big Issue Foundation, said that "with the exponential increase in homelessness over the last three years there has never been a more important time to raise awareness of the issues and the reality of life on the streets in the UK today. It is in this context that we are working with Roughhouse Theatre to bring their compelling drama to as wide an audience as possible.

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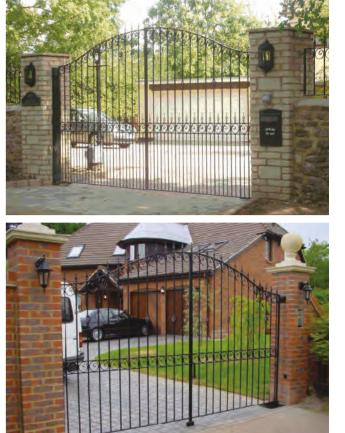
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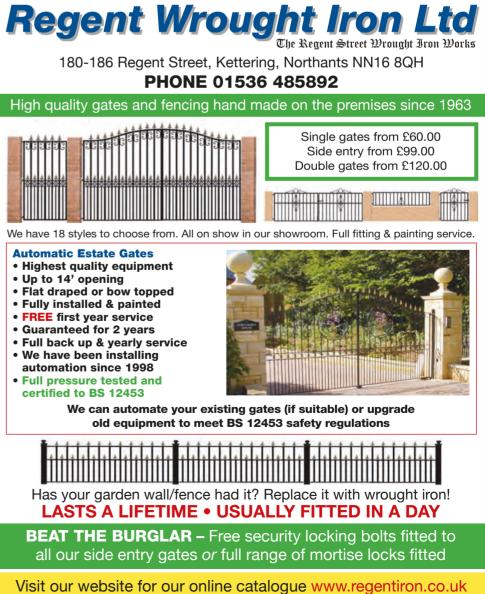


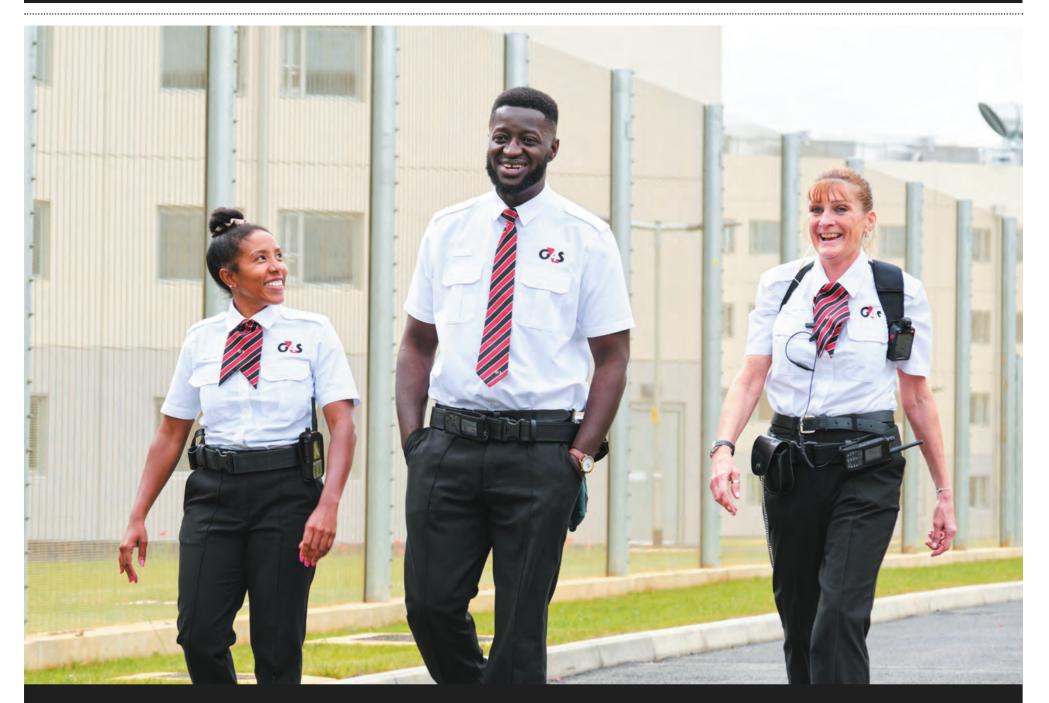
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## Notice of planning APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

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

### >HIGHAM FERRERS

First floor rear extension at 4 The Courtyard High Street Higham Ferrers Rushden NN10 8DD (Info) (LB/CA) (Info) NE/22/00961/FUL (18 September 2022)

### >RUSHDEN

Demolition of existing public house (class C4) and erection of three-storey building to a mixed-use consisting of 2 retail (class E), 2 offices (class E) & 10 two-bedroom apartments with associated access, car parking, refuse storage & landscaping at 105 High Street Rushden NN10 ONZ (Part3) (Info) (Info) (LB/CA) (Info) NE/22/00909/FUL (18 September 2022)

Single storey rear extension at Rushden Goods Shed and Exhibition Hall John Clark Way Rushden NN10 OFW (Info) (LB/CA) (Info) NE/22/00969/FUL (18 September 2022)

#### >UPPER BENEFIELD

Works include the exterior painting

of all woodwork at The Wool Barn, including the detached garage within the property boundary at The Wool Barn Main Street Upper Benefield Peterborough PE8 5AN (LBRegs) (Info) NE/22/01027/LBC (18 September 2022)

### >EASTON ON THE HILL

3 new detached dwellings with private gardens, with new access drive off Orchard Way at Land Adjacent Orchard Way Orchard Way Easton On The Hill (Info) (LB/CA) (Info) NE/22/00970/FUL (18 September 2022)

### >THRAPSTON

To install solar panels on the roof of the annexe which will be hidden from view by the parapet surrounding the roof at 17 Huntingdon Road Thrapston Kettering NN14 4NF (LBRegs) (Info) NE/22/00836/LBC (18 September 2022) (Info) (LB/CA) (Info) NE/22/00835/FUL (18 September 2022)

Repair or replace roof tiles and add insulation on a section of roof to rear. Rebuild two capped-off chimney stacks to same elevation at 17 Huntingdon Road Thrapston Kettering NN14 4NF (LBRegs) (Info) NE/22/00945/LBC (18 September 2022)

#### > SLIPTON

Replacement of five windows damaged by fire at Rutherford Cottage 1 - 2 Sudborough Road Slipton Kettering NN14 3AQ (LBRegs) (Info) NE/22/00956/LBC (18 September 2022)

#### >ASHTON

Change of use of vegetable patch to domestic curtilage, and two-storey side extension and lean to at Primrose Barn Chapel Farm Barns The Green Ashton Peterborough PE8 5LD (Info) (LB/CA) (Info) NE/22/01017/FUL (18 September 2022)

#### >STOKE DOYLE

Erection of detached building to provide amenity facilities; partial demolition of existing boundary wall; Resin bounded gravel access from existing footpath, new landscaping at St Rumbald Church Church Lane Stoke Doyle Peterborough PE8 5TH (Info) (LB/ CA) (Info) NE/22/00973/FUL (18 September 2022)

#### >LAXTON

Proposed conversion of garage and store to holiday let accommodation at Stafford Knott House Main Street Laxton Corby NN17 3AT (Info) (LB/ CA) (Info) NE/22/00962/FUL (18 September 2022) 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.

Rob Harbour, Assistant Director Growth And Regeneration

### Dated 20 August 2022

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## SETTING THE STANDARD FOR HEALTHCARE EXCELLENCE

## Northamptonshire Carers/Carers as Equal & Expert Partners in Care shortlisted for the 2022 HSJ Awards.

Northamptonshire Carers is proud to reveal that its 'Carers as Equal & Expert Partners in Care' approach has been shortlisted for the System Led Support for Carers Award at this year's Health Service Journal (HSJ) Awards, recognising its outstanding contribution to healthcare and earning the opportunity to showcase its achievements on a national platform.

The pressures faced across the healthcare sector haven't been far from the headlines over the past 12 months – yet the quality and overriding positivity of the award entries this year highlight the enduring devotion of workers within the health and social care industry, dedicated to improving patient outcomes.

A staggering 1,067 entries have been received for the HSJ Awards 2022, with 219 projects and individuals making it to the final shortlist (from across 162 organisations). The high volume – and exceptional quality – of applications is once again reflecting the breadth of innovation and care within the UK's healthcare networks.

Now in its 42nd year, the HSJ Awards continues to provide an opportunity to shine a light on the outstanding efforts and achievements that individuals and teams across the sector deliver on a daily basis. Of the 25 categories, three are new for 2022, representing some of the recent challenges and triumphs within the NHS. These comprise new awards for Covid Vaccination Programme, Reducing Healthcare Inequalities and the Performance Recovery Award.

Following the thorough judging process, Northamptonshire Carers was shortlisted, ahead of the official awards ceremony to be held later this year (17th November). Despite the tough competition, 'Carers as Equal & Expert Partners in Care' really did stand out as a 'success story' worthy of a prized place on the panel's shortlist. At this first stage of judging, the shortlist was based on ambition; outcome; value; involvement and working together; and crucially, how the project might be "picked up" and replicated elsewhere for the benefit of both patients and professional colleagues.

In a statement Northamptonshire Carers said: "Northamptonshire Carers is Carer-Led, 100% of Trustees and 70% of our workforce are Carers or Former Carers. So, we understand the value of coproductive strategic and service delivery leadership in ensuring support remains responsive to Carers' needs. As Northamptonshire ICS Delegated System Carers Lead, we advocate awareness of Carers' critical contribution to health and care system sustainability and the importance of lived-experience leadership in shaping system strategy and service delivery. This resulted in the Integrated Care across Northamptonshire People's Advisory Group which embeds an equal-and-expert strategic and service delivery leadership role for Patients and Carers within key Northamptonshire ICS transformation areas."

The full list of nominees for the 2022 HSJ awards can be found at https://awards.hsj.co.uk/ alongside details of the Awards partners: https://awards.hsj.co.uk/partners

The selected winners will be announced during the awards ceremony at the Battersea Evolution Centre, London on 17th November 2022.

## A PRESENT FROM THE PALACE – **BUT WHAT IS IT?**

As Chichele College celebrates its 600th anniversary, Higham Ferrers is set to receive a present from Buckingham Palace – but exactly what that will be will remain a secret until later in the year.

"It is a mystery gift at this stage. All I can say is that it is a present from the Palace," said Morcea Walker MBE, the Vice Lord Lieutenant of Northamptonshire.

She was speaking in an interview after hinting about the special gift to guests at the 600th anniversary celebrations of the town's Chichele College at the end of July.

All she could say to guests was to "allude that in Her Majesty's special year certain things happen" ... and it may be that she and the Lord Lieutenant of Northamptonshire, James Saunders-Watson "had been asked to look at certain parts of the county ...".

They had been given the opportunity to raise the profile of four places and Higham Ferrers was top of the list, she said later. "We both love Higham

Ferrers and its history." One reason Higham

Ferrers had been chosen for the mystery gift was because of the volunteers who dedicated their time to tending the Chichele College garden, believed to be one of the oldest gardens in the country.

The Vice Lord Lieutenant and other VIP speakers sang the praises of the "wonderful" Higham Ferrers born Henry Chichele, an Archbishop of Canterbury, who founded Chichele College in 1422, and raised a glass to his legacy at the celebrations, organised by English Heritage and Higham Ferrers Tourism.

Archbishop Chichele had thought beyond his job and created something that still stood 600 years later, the Vice Lord Lieutenant said.

Chichele College – a rare surviving example of a chantry college, despite being partially destroyed during Henry VIII's reign is owned by the Duchy of Lancaster. It is a Scheduled Monument and part of the National Heritage Collection in the care of English Heritage. Higham Ferrers Tourism care for the day-today management, via a local management agreement.

Archbishop Chichele also founded All Souls College, Oxford, as well as Bede House, next to St Mary's Church in Higham Ferrers, which is used for church activities, social events, fundraising and is also available for hire.

And Carol Fitzgerald, who is on the college management committee, told guests that the committee had recently learned that Archbishop Chichele was responsible for Saint George being the country's patron saint.

"The stories keep on coming," she said, adding that an exhibition on the life of Henry Chichele was due to tour Higham Ferrers and Rushden Lakes.

Chichele College gardener Gwen Tobin said that thousands of volunteer hours by local gardeners had gone into making the garden what it was.

"Despite the current water limitations, what has been achieved is absolutely marvellous," she said.

A special celebratory poem entitled 'A Time

to Dance' marking the 600th anniversary was written and read out by local resident Susan Waters and local band 2 Steps 4 Words sang a tribute song, 'Chichele (600 years)', which was released at the same time on YouTube and Spotify. And of course, there was a celebratory cake. The guests included

several local Bedesmen, a unique group whose history dates to medieval times when Henry Chichele founded the Bede House. They are the only Bedesmen in the country who carry out ceremonial civic duties.

A Summer Party complete with more music, which was open to the public, followed and the next day Higham Ferrers Tourism staged their popular Brass On The Grass event in St Mary's Churchvard.



Higham Ferrers-born Henry Chichele, the town's most famous son, whose vision and legacy have just been celebrated

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VIP guest Morcea Walker MBE, the Vice Lord Lieutenant of Northamptonshire (centre) at the 600th anniversary celebration of Chichele College with Chris O'Rourke, a Higham Ferrers Bedesman in his ceremonial cloak (left) and the Higham Ferrers Mayor, Councillor Nigel Brown

### Nene Valley News - **Events**

### **Art Exhibition**

Sunday 28th August 12 noon-4pm and Monday 29th August 10am-4pm. Admission free. Rushden Masonic Hall, Wellingborough Road, Rushden NN10 9YJ. "Our third Exhibition of Art by local artists, please come along and enjoy."

### Film: The Duke (12A)

Friday 9th September, 7.30pm. Ringstead Village Hall, High Street, Ringstead NN14 4DA Tickets £5. 01933 460373.

### **Quiz Night**

Saturday 10th September, 7.30pm. The Swan, Newton Bromswold. Raising funds for Marie Curie. £10 for a team of 4. Contact: Helen Lines 01933 315864.

### NC Jazz presents Rachael Johnson Quartet

Thursday 15th September, 8pm. This Autumn sees the welcome return of Northants Contemporary Jazz nights to the Studio Theatre at Castle Theatre Wellingborough as they present the Rachael Johnson Quartet. Rachael Johnson is a jazz pianist

who is currently touring the UK with MmmAhhWhoosh, a jazz show for 0-5 year olds with fantastic female jazz vocalist Mellow

### Baku. Rachael was booked as a solo performer at Glastonbury Festival this year and is regularly playing throughout the UK in many jazz clubs and festivals

Her Quartet consists of Steve O'Gorman - sax, Wayne Matthews - bass and Joel Barford on drums. NC Jazz presents Rachael Johnson Quartet comes to Castle Theatre, Wellingborough on Thursday 15th September, 8pm. Tickets priced £14.50 can be booked by calling the Box Office on 01933 270 007 or visiting www.castletheatre.co.uk.

### **Rushden & District History Society**

Friday 21st October, 7.30pm. Whitefriars Primary School, Boughton Drive, Rushden NN10 9HX. Description: Steve Dimmer. After Walt - The sequel, ups and downs and the future. Members £1.50, non-members £2.50 Contact information: Tel 01536 238320 for more information.

### Verdi's Nabucco

Wed 26th, Fri 28th, Sat 29th October, 7.30pm (4pm on Saturday). Queen Victoria Hall, Oundle. Verdi's masterpiece, Nabucco, tells a biblical story of love, jealousy, war and betrayal. £15 (adults), £5 (under 19s). Contact information: admin@peterboroughopera.co.uk

## RUSHDEN ARTISTS' EXHIBITION

'Art' is a term that encompasses a variety of media which includes watercolour, acrylic, oil, pastels, ceramics and even photography. And whether you enjoy the actual activity of painting or sculpting, or just viewing the works of others at galleries or exhibitions, there is something for everyone.

During the summer of 2019, a couple of local artists staged an exhibition of their work at the Masonic Hall in Rushden together with a few of their classmates. Of course, the Covid pandemic delayed the second exhibition, but this eventually took place over the 2021 August bank holiday and they are now planning their third exhibition for this coming August Bank Holiday.

All the artists involved are local and vary in age, background and style. Some have attended the weekly art classes run by Derek Geater and others attended the now disbanded art group R.A.D.A.S. (Rushden Art and District Art Society) which sadly stopped meetings during the pandemic.

A few members started their artistic journey at school but have only recently been able to continue due to work and family commitments. Others have been lucky enough to keep their painting active throughout their lifetime. The youngest exhibitor, Lauren, will be exhibiting for the first time.

"Art is an activity that anyone can engage with, providing a tool for expression and a means of relaxation. We are proud, therefore, to exhibit the work we have created and welcome all those who would like to come along and enjoy our work."

Sunday 28th August, 12 noon till 4pm, Monday 29th August, 10am till 4pm. Rushden Masonic Hall, Wellingborough Road, Rushden NNO 9YJ. Free entry and car parking.

## LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS

On Saturday 24th September at 7pm the multi award-winning Northampton Male Voice Choir (NMVC) will present its 'Last Night of the Proms' concert. The choir, conducted by its Musical Director, Stephen Bell, will be joined by the world famous GUS Championship Brass Band and special guest soloist, the fabulous soprano, Emily Haig.

This promises to be a magical night simply bursting with music to entertain you, with a fantastic range of music, from Sibelius's sublime Finlandia Overture to Ron Goodwin's 633 Squadron and a rousing selection of songs from NMVC. The evening will end with a flag waving, 'Last Night' sing-a-long with Emily Haig including favourites such as 'Jerusalem', 'Rule Britannia' and 'Land of Hope and Glory'. Audience participation will be essential.

This not to be missed concert will be held at the Spinney Theatre, Spinney Hill Road,

at the Spinney Theatre, Spinney Hill Road, Northampton, NN3 6DG.



Tickets are available online from www.ticketsource.co.uk/nmvc or from NMVC Concert Secretary, David Walsh on 01604 831455 or from other choir members. NMVC website: www.nmvc.co.uk

NMVC YouTube Channel: www.youtube.com/channel/UCWCKnjss8p1LrO1NonSf0KQ Follow NMVC on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram For Emily Haig see www.emilyhaigsoprano.co.uk For the GUS Band see www.thegusband.com

## **WHAT'S ON AT** THE COWPER & NEWTON MUSEUM

**Children's Garden Trail** 'Amazing Animals' Family fun time! Throughout the year during usual opening times. £1.50 includes a small prize. Bring a picnic to enjoy sitting in our beautiful, tranquil gardens. Usual admission applies to see inside the historic house.

**Refreshments in the Courtyard:** 1st September, 10.30am to 12.30pm. 'Refreshments in the Courtyard' includes delicious homemade cakes, a choice of tea, coffee, speciality tea or juice and a relaxing stroll around our beautiful 18th century, tranquil gardens all for £4. Usual admission applies to see inside the historic house.

Make a Miniature Garden: 17th September, 2pm in the gardens. Aimed at children aged 6-10 and their families. Build a miniature garden to take away using resources in the garden. There is no fee for the activity, but please be aware that the usual admission fee applies. Spaces are limited. Email info@cowperandnewtonmuseum.org.uk or pop into our shop to secure your slot.

**Heritage Open Day:** 18th September, 11am to 4pm. Historic House, Gardens and Gallery are open – free entry. (Please see our website for details of gallery artist exhibitions). Visit our new exhibition 'Amazing Grace'. Heritage Open Day theme 'Astounding Inventions': learn about our 18th century electric machine. Children's garden trail 'Amazing Animals' to include a small prize – £1.50.

Three Hares Gallery: 3rd to 29th September: Paintings of the River Great Ouse by Richard Allen. Beautiful paintings of, or painted near, the River Ouse. It is a landscape that Richard has only recently started to explore, finding it's gentle, timeless and sometimes very open scenery a great source of inspiration. Free entry to the gallery. Usual admission applies to see the museum and gardens.

### fermynwoods contemporary art

CHILD'S PLAY A SCULPTURE - PERFORMANCE - PLAY by internationally renowned artist AENEAS WILDER 12th - 16th September 2022

SCULPTURE KICKDOWN EVENT on Saturday 17th September 2022 The Core at Corby Cube George Street, Corby, Northants, NN17 1QG fermynwoods.org



### Internationally renowed **artist visits**

Internationally renowned artist Aeneas Wilder will be visiting Northamptonshire this September, thanks to Fermynwoods Contemporary Art in partnership with The Core at Corby Cube. The project, called Child's Play.

will see the artist work in solitude for days, rhythmically measuring and placing thousands of uniform lengths of recycled Iroko wood into a special sculpture-performanceplay. The public are invited to The Core at Corby Cube between 12th and 16th September, to observe the gradual build-up of the monumental wooden installation, Untitled #215 – a sculpture especially conceived for building, taking form on stage with no fixing, joining, or additional materials; only balance and gravity holding the sculpture in place.

The project will culminate in a special Sculpture Kickdown Event on Saturday 17th September, where the work will be brought crashing

to the floor. Aeneas remarked: "When you go to the theatre you can't own the play – you can own a copy of the script, or the programme that outlines the main characters, but you don't own the play – I see this work a bit like that. It's not for people to own, it's for people to experience." Sculpture viewable between opening hours, 12th and 16th September 2022.

Free entry. The Core at Corby Cube, George Street, Corby, Northants, NN17 1QG. Sculpture Kickdown Event, 17th September, 5pm. To register your free place visit www.thecorecorby.com/whats-on/sculpture-kickdown/



## Improving Community Health – project launched to help North Northants people grow and cook

A project designed to help North Northants residents grow, cook and eat more healthily is being launched by the charity Groundwork Northamptonshire – thanks to funding from Public Health Northamptonshire.



This initiative will focus on the communities most at risk of a poor diet and will address health inequalities in North Northamptonshire, as well as harnessing the knowledge and expertise already available. Groundwork

Northamptonshire, which already supports communities through a range of environmental and youth projects, has been awarded £250,000 to be spread over two years. The charity is using the funding to recruit a new Project Coordinator and will also distribute grants to voluntary and community groups in Northamptonshire.

Kate Williams, CEO of Groundwork Northamptonshire, explains: "Thanks to this funding and project we are setting up a network to share healthy recipes and top tips. We want to use this funding to improve North Northamptonshire residents' physical and mental health and support them to grow their own food, as well as cook and eat more healthily.

"Our first step is to recruit a coordinator who will map out the groups in North Northants who are currently working with and supporting people and communities with healthy eating. This will enable us to understand what is already happening in North Northants and who is already growing and cooking, building on what we already know and reaching out further to find and engage with others.

"We will then be launching our grants programme in January next year which will see £84,000 distributed across two years. This is a unique opportunity for us to support smaller groups who wouldn't usually apply for grants. So, if you are passionate about local food and about cooking and growing, do email us, we would love to hear from you."

Around two in every three adults (66%) in Northamptonshire are overweight or obese. Being overweight or obese is the leading cause of years of life lost to disability, and other long-term conditions which is why reducing obesity levels, and the number of adults who are overweight in the adult population in North Northamptonshire, is a key priority.

John Ashton, Interim Director of Public Health for North Northamptonshire says: "The pandemic has further demonstrated a link between the severity of the impact of Covid-19 on people who are overweight and obese, while others have had their weight increase during the first two years of the pandemic.

"Being at a healthy weight, or reducing weight, is also vitally important to improve residents' health and wellbeing. Research has shown that by increasing people's skills in preparing food, it helps them to make better choices when it comes to nutrition and reduced calorie intake.

"I am sure that this project will find those in North Northamptonshire willing and able to share these, and other important skills around growing and preparing healthy meals."

## 'Take care of you' at this year's Health and Wellbeing Festival

"It's time to take care of you" – that's the message from North Northamptonshire Council as it launches its second Health and Wellbeing Festival, which brings together a variety of local organisations and services to help people get active, free their mind, take time to relax and discover what health and wellbeing support is available in the area.

The popular feel-good festival takes place from Monday 5th to Sunday 11th September at various local locations and has something suitable for all the family with physical activities such as walks, netball, football and running, as well as opportunities to escape for a few hours with gardening, craft, Tai Chi, and even knitting and singing sessions.

Talks and advice are on offer from various local organisations including Mind, Macmillan and NHFT on a range of health topics such as diabetes, cancer, autism and mental health which will provide people with the chance to feel informed, meet others and build support networks. The award-winning Youthworks LGBTQIA+ group also have social opportunities and activities for young people available during the week.

Councillor Helen Harrison, Executive Member for Adults, Health and Wellbeing said: "Health and wellbeing affects us all and can mean something different for everyone, which is why I'm really pleased to see a varied and jam-packed timetable for the 7-day festival. NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

Our aim is to give people the chance to experience a range of activities and access to support services which we hope they will benefit from and continue to use beyond the event.

"We are collaborating with many local experts and partners to showcase North Northamptonshire's health and wellbeing offer which brings everything together during the week, and will help people take time for themselves to learn, try something new, connect with others, start and keep conversations going."

Councillor Jason Smithers, Leader of North Northamptonshire Council said: "We all need to find time to take care of our health and wellbeing needs, and everyone is welcome to join in with our festival which is a great way to build communities and ensure people know about and have access to the huge range of services available across the area.

"Whether people need advice or support, are looking for a new hobby or activity, or want health and wellbeing inspiration, we have a fantastic line-up this year with leisure centres, parks, libraries and health services all involved, to name a few. I'd encourage everyone to take a look at what's on offer and join us during the week."

The Health and Wellbeing Festival consists of a huge range of free and low cost activities that are simple to join in with. Further information about the event and the full timetable can be found online at www.northnorthants.gov. uk/hwfestival

There's still time for local health and wellbeing organisations to get involved with the festival, more information is available by emailing bekki.hart@ northnorthamptonshire.gov.uk

## BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

### Yarwell & Nassington Britannia Band are preparing

for their next concert in Nassington Church. Back by popular request, they are putting on a 'Last Night of the Proms' concert. Lots of flag waving, great music, bad jokes (yes, Tony Cooper has kindly agreed to compere!), as well as having a good sing along to all the old favourites. The date is Friday 14th October. Concert starts at 7.45pm (doors open at 7pm) There will be the usual raffle and bar. This year the band is working with and raising funds for the Nene Valley Care Trust, a really worthwhile cause.

Tickets are £10 and will be available from Moulds and Nassington Stores as well as online from the Oundle Festival Box Office. So come and join in their celebration of completing 175 years of Brass Banding.

There's no need to wait until October either, as the band will also be playing at the Wansford Show on Saturday 27th August and then at Nassington Garden Show on Monday 29th August.

Tell your friends and come and have a good, fun night out.

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## YOUR HEALTH – TMJ JAW PAIN

### WORDS BY CLAIRE SHORT

The TMJ, or temporomandibular joint is your jaw joint. It's the joint that allows you to open and close your mouth, talk and chew. It's a hinge joint with a funny disc between the bones. It has an unusual movement, and it's fairly common for it to cause problems.

To find the TMJ put a finger on each of your earlobes, then move your fingers forward about a centimetre. As you do this, open and close your mouth. Your fingers will sit in the dip of the TM| joint and you'll feel your jaw bone moving. If you get pain in this area, it's known as TMJ pain.

- TMJ problems can be associated with: Headaches
- law pain
- Toothache
- Grinding or clenching your teeth
- Stress
- Neck stiffness
- Tight neck muscles

To help TM| pain, it's important to get your teeth checked. You might also want to see a hands-on therapist to help the muscles, tendons and ligaments around the joint and to look at



#### vour neck

If stress is contributing to your pain, consider seeing someone to help with relaxation. To help you relax you might want to try:

- You'd be surprised how often stress is connected to grinding your teeth!

The good news is that using the lawnmower doesn't usually cause pain in the TMJ, but since none of us has grass that is growing right now, I guess that's irrelevant!

Have a good, lawnmower-free week! Claire

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



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## TOWER OF **STRENGTH!**

Stanwick Lakes Nature Reserve reaches new levels as it celebrates adventure play rebuild.

Stanwick Lakes is going from strength to strength and is set to see the return of its muchloved play tower.

The Northamptonshire nature reserve and countryside attraction is relaunching a significant section of its Adventure Play area after a long-awaited rebuild.

Rockingham Forest Trust, the charity which runs Stanwick Lakes, suffered a major arson fire in early 2021 which destroyed one of its largest pieces of play equipment. In contrast, 2022 has seen a successful start to the year with the reopening of the refurbished Visitor Centre in April, and the well-received 'Stanwick-at-Sea' – which came together in the wake of the incident - has featured heavily on visitor agendas with warmer weather earlier in the year. Closed while building work goes on, the sand is set to become a permanent feature now the play tower has reopened.

It's an "exciting time" for Stanwick Lakes according to Executive Director, Kate Chadwick. "We received overwhelming support from the local community and businesses, in the immediate aftermath of the fire so we know there are so many families looking forward to a

visit to make more memories on this favoured piece of play equipment

'We would like to thank all of those who made financial contributions to ensure that we were able to rebuild so successfully. With a new set of heritage trails and talks, a series of summer activities and along with the existing play attractions, Stanwick Lakes will once again fulfil its full potential and offer a well-rounded day out for the whole family to enjoy.'

The charity has patiently awaited the delivery of the natural materials needed to rebuild the play tower, which will complement the existing play attractions. These include an assault course, a wonky treehouse, a double zip wire, water play, and an adventure trail with rope bridge. The extensive play experiences were all designed to blend with the surroundings, a 750acre Site of Special Scientific Interest

"The central play area is beloved by many and can become busy at peak times," explains Liz Williams, Nature Engagement Officer. "So, it's great to have so much space for people to explore should they need a time-out from the hustle and bustle to reconnect with the environment.

"Formerly a quarry, and now a protected wetland, Stanwick Lakes provides important habitats for wildlife that our little adventurers love to learn about. Across the site we interlink all our activities, whether its conversation learning or well-being activities, for the young and adults alike.

"Some visitors that initially come to play and let off steam often return for rest and wellbeing!'

Rockingham Forest Trust is an environmental charity which has been connecting people and places for over 25 years. Today, the Trust is based at Stanwick Lakes, which is run as a social enterprise

All the play equipment at Stanwick Lakes is free to use, the only charge is for parking which allows you to stay and play all day, but also supports the conservation and maintenance work that takes place on the site. This includes managing the nature reserve for wildlife, looking after the play equipment and maintaining miles of paths for walking and cycling. There is no charge to those who walk or cycle in. The car park is open at 7am and locked at 7pm in the summer (April- Sept) with the Visitor Centre hours being 10am-5pm.

Please visit www.stanwicklakes.org.uk for winter hours and further information.



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

(ASO28 STATION ROAD, HIGHAM FERRETS & AG STATION ROAD, HIGHAM FERRES/RTHLINGBOROUGH) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2022

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- form Chowns Mill roundabout to Nightingale Way. A6 – from Chowns Mill roundabout to Diamond Way roundabout.
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carriageway remedial works. **PERIOD OF CLOSURE**: The proposed Order will come into effect on 9th September 2022 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 roads will be restricted for up

ALTERNATIVE ROUTE: A5028 – use North End, Kimbolton Road and A6. A6 use A6, A45 and A14.

If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp ref:-22/23 – N279 on 01604 651072. PKG/T22/566

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LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of Front Street Denford from the junction with High Street to the junction with Childs Street. **REASON FOR RESTRICTION**: The restriction is required for safety during repair o leaking stop tap.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 30th August PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on such August 2022 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

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use High Street and Childs Street.

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PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 31st August 2022 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

### ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use High Street.

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PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 30th August 2022 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

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Queen Street, Rushden junction with Cromwell Road. REASON FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during nstallation of new main and repair to link box.

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ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use Cromwell Road, Blinco Road and Lawton Road If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp ref:- 22/23 – N243 on 01604 651072. PKG/T22/531 PKG/T22/531

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# Four parks across North Northamptonshire awarded coveted Green Flag Awards

North Northamptonshire Council is celebrating after receiving Green Flag Awards for Coronation Park in Corby, East Carlton Countryside Park, Hazel and Thoroughsale Woods and Rockingham Road Pleasure Park in Kettering.

This year 2,208 parks have been awarded flags across the UK and in North Northants Coronation Park and Rockingham Road Pleasure Park, East Carlton Countryside Park and Hazel and Thoroughsale Woods have all retained their flags for 2022/23.

The award is the international quality mark for parks and green spaces.

Cllr Harriet Pentland, the council's Executive Member for Climate and Green Environment, said: "It is a great privilege for any park to receive a Green Flag Award and it is fantastic that four parks across North Northamptonshire have received such a prestigious award. These awards recognise the quality of our parks and green spaces and I am pleased that this has been highlighted on an international level."

After two years that have seen our parks and green spaces play a vital role for people through lockdowns as a place to relax, exercise and meet friends and family safely, the news that four sites across North Northamptonshire have achieved the Green Flag Award is a testament to the hard work and dedication of the team that makes the green space a great space that everyone can enjoy.

Cllr Jason Smithers, Leader of the council, added: "Our teams work hard, often alongside community groups, to ensure all our parks and green spaces across North Northamptonshire are kept clean and tidy, but also that they are places where residents want to spend time. If you haven't visited one of our parks or



green spaces recently, I really would encourage you to do so."

The Green Flag Award scheme, managed by environmental charity Keep Britain Tidy under licence from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, recognises and rewards wellmanaged parks and green spaces, setting the benchmark standard for the management of green spaces across the United Kingdom and around the world.

A full list of Green Flag Award-winning parks and green spaces is available at https://www.keepbritaintidy.org/sites/default/files/ 2022%2520GFA%2520UK%2520winners%2520list.pdf

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