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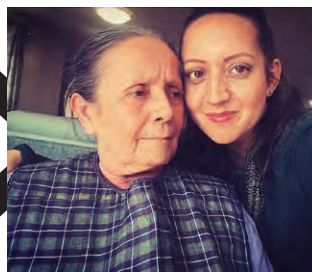
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A43 scheme

Building a dual carriageway the length of the A43 between Kettering and Northampton is set to move a step closer.

So far, the stretch of the A43 between the Round Spinney roundabout and the newly built Overstone Grange roundabout has been dualled.

A proposal before North Northamptonshire Council's Executive outlined how the next phase would see the dual carriageway continue from Overstone Grange to the Holcot/Sywell roundabout.

While the first phases are in the West Northamptonshire Council (WNC) area, this next stage crosses over the border from WNC into North Northamptonshire. It is proposed that it is jointly developed by the two councils and it is recommended that WNC is the lead authority.

As such, a report before the Council's Executive proposed the council signs a Memorandum of Understanding with neighbouring West Northamptonshire Council to develop this next phase.

Subject to gaining the necessary approvals and funding, it is anticipated that construction could begin in early 2026.

ACTIVE PARKS PROJECT DELIVERS OVER 1,000 SESSIONS

The Active Parks Project has now delivered over 1,000 sessions to more than 13,000 participants since November 2019.

Now delivered by the North Northamptonshire Council Country Parks team and working in partnership with Northamptonshire Public Health and Northamptonshire Sport, the aim of the project is to help more residents to take part in activities to improve their physical and mental health.

Sessions have been held in country parks across North Northants, with sessions held across the county before the new council came into existence.

This is in addition to the curriculum school groups that have also been delivered during this period.

Cllr Harriet Pentland, the council's Executive Member for Climate and Environment, said: "Our parks are excellent places where residents can enjoy healthy outdoor activities, escape from stress and learn new things.

"The work of the Education Rangers not only helps with environmental education, but it inspires young people, improves mental and physical health, reducing social isolation and helping people do more than they thought possible.

"We have put together a range of programmes for young people, families and adults that include our popular Nature Tots and health walks and it is great



that we have had such high levels of participation, despite the pandemic."

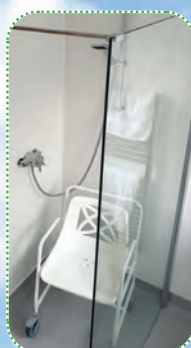
Cllr Jason Smithers, Leader of the Council, added: "The benefits of getting outdoors is well known, so I am pleased that we have delivered so many sessions since the end of 2019.

The team run regular sessions on a variety of themes, so do take a look and get involved."

As well as the public sessions, the team works with groups on bespoke sessions benefitting those with long-term health conditions or specific needs. You can find

out more about the Active Parks Project online, email educationrangers.ncc@northnorthants.gov.uk for more detail or visit the North Northants Country Parks Facebook page for information about upcoming events and sessions.

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PLACES ALLOCATED FOR PRIMARY-AGED PUPILS IN NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

A total of 3,793 reception places have been allocated to pupils across North Northamptonshire. 93.2% of applicants – 3,537 children – have been allocated a place at their first preference (compared with 92.7 % for 2022).

4.3% of applicants have been allocated a place at their second preference (4.3% in 2022) while 1.1% have been allocated a place at their third preference (1.5% in 2022).

98.6% of applicants have been allocated one of their preferred schools (98.5% in 2022), while 99% of applications were made online (up from 98.8% in 2022).

Families who applied for their primary school place online and within the deadline are able to check their offer on the council's website.

Looking at the figures for Junior School applications (Year 3), where there were 981 applications, 99.9% of pupils were allocated a place at their first preference (99.8% for 2022)

while 100% were allocated one of their preferred schools (also 100% in 2022).

Cllr Scott Edwards, North Northamptonshire Council's Executive Member for Children, Families, Education and Skills, said: "I would like to pass on my best wishes to every pupil starting a new school in September and hope this is the start of an exciting new journey. Supporting all children in their education is a priority for the council.

"We have seen a slight increase in the number of pupils obtaining a place at the school of their choice which is a real step forward.

"We continue to work hard to create additional school places across North Northamptonshire to meet the demand caused by our growing population, through building new schools and expanding existing sites across the area."

Cllr Jason Smithers, Leader of the Council, said: "Starting school is a huge step for all children to take and I wish them all the very best as they embark on their education."

GENEALOGY JOTTINGS

WORDS BY
JAN PEARSON

What never ceases to amaze me is how much there is to finding out about our ancestors. With many of the dates sorted and people identified, it doesn't stop there. One question that was asked on my forum recently was, "Can anyone tell me whether Catholics had to marry in the local C of E parish churches in 1827? What did most Catholics do?"

The answer according to the National Archives is: Between 1754 and 1837 it was a legal requirement to marry in the Church of England and though many Catholics were still married illegally according to Catholic rites, registers for these illegal marriages were not generally kept since it might have been dangerous to do so. Not just Catholics – any non-conformist, except Jews and Quakers!

Sometimes you might get a clue from your Catholic ancestors marrying by licence rather than having banns read, and there was nothing stopping them from baptising their children in a Catholic church. I've also seen baptisms recorded in non-Catholic registers with a note that they were 'Papist'. Depending upon the period in which you

are interested, there are also the Papist Returns, although individual names aren't often mentioned. Between 1680 and 1781, Parliament requested information about known or reputed Roman Catholics on several occasions. This information was laid before the House of Lords and survives in the Parliamentary Archives. The records are commonly known as the 'Papist Returns' and survive for 1680, 1706, 1767 and 1781.

A couple of the subscription websites, Ancestry and Find My Past, also have Irish Catholic Parish Registers from 1655-1915, which are worth a look. You don't have to pay to see them, though, if you visit the Library and use their computer! Some are also available for free at the Irish Genealogy website: www.irishgenealogy.ie/en/ and also at: www.registers.nli.ie/ If you are not familiar with the areas covered, just make sure that you have a map handy.

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Consultation on the scope and options for the North Northamptonshire Gypsy and Traveller Local Plan

North Northamptonshire Council has launched a consultation on the scope and options for a plan to address the accommodation needs of gypsies and travellers in the area.

The Gypsy and Traveller Local Plan will provide policies and site allocations and run until 2041. When finalised, the Plan will form part of the Development Plan for North Northamptonshire.

The current consultation is the first stage in preparing the Gypsy and Traveller Local Plan and focusses on providing information on key issues for the Plan, including:

- the vision and outcomes for the plan
- options for meeting future requirements
- size of sites
- geographical distribution
- allocation of reserve sites
- assessment criteria for site allocation and determination

- of planning applications
- provision of transit sites and temporary stopping places
- site design
- retention of sites

Cllr David Brackenbury, the council's Executive Member for Growth and Regeneration, said: "The purpose of the consultation is to gather the views of the public and stakeholders on the key issues to be addressed by the final Plan and on the scope and content of the Plan.

"Once completed, the Gypsy and Traveller Local Plan will cover the period until 2041, so we want to make sure everything is right and takes into account the views of all those affected by the issues raised in this Plan.

"It is worth mentioning that at this stage, no decisions have been made on the content of the planning policies and we are very much still in the initial phase of putting together this

important Plan."

Cllr Jason Smithers, Leader of the Council, added: "Once completed, this will be a very important document and I would encourage everyone to get involved and give their feedback to help us shape the Plan – we want to work with stakeholders throughout this process."

Comments are also invited on a Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report. The purpose of the Sustainability Appraisal is to appraise the social, environmental and economic effects of the plan from the outset of plan preparation.

The consultation will run until midnight on 31st May 2023. Further information is available on the Council's Consultation and Engagement hub.

Copies of the documents are also available for inspection at the main Council Offices and libraries during normal opening hours.

Contact Information: Liam Beasley, liam.beasley@northnorthants.gov.uk

Traffic safety measures on Executive agenda

Measures to improve safety for pedestrians along George Street in Corby will be discussed at a meeting of North Northamptonshire Council's Executive.

Following a previous phase which looked at the safety of pedestrians across a section of George Street and saw the upgrade of an existing zebra crossing and the introduction of a tiger crossing, alongside other changes, a second phase is proposed to introduce enforcement cameras along a small section of George Street.

If approved, the works will improve the accessibility, mobility and safety for pedestrians and cyclists.

Executive will be asked to discuss and decide whether to:

- Approve the replacement of the existing Traffic Regulation Order governing the main crossing in George Street to operate Monday to Saturday between 8am to 6pm restricting access to buses, taxis and cyclists only
 - Approve the introduction of enforcement with the use of Automatic Number Plate Recognition to seek to improve the safety for pedestrians
- Cllr Graham Lawman, the council's Executive Member for Highways, Travel and Assets, said: "This proposal reflects the comments and

concerns we have received from residents about the safety of George Street in Corby. If approved, the plans would see a decrease in the number of vehicles using this particular stretch of road, which would bring multiple benefits to the area including the safety enhancements, alongside improved air quality and environment for pedestrians, whilst still allowing vehicles to access Everest Lane and Cardigan Place."

The project will be funded through the Accelerated Fund, which is part of the Town Fund.

The papers for the meeting of NNC's Executive are available online and the meeting will be livestreamed on YouTube.

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22nd – 26th MAY - THE GATEWAY TO WALES

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Fri 12 Stamford Market & Grantham
Sat 13 Malvern Spring Show
Sat 13 Springfield
Sat 13 Spalding Flower Parade
Sun 14 Hunstanton
Mon 15 Salisbury Cathedral & Free Time
Wed 17 Wye Valley River Cruise & Lunch
Sat 20 Clacton-on-Sea
Sun 21 Melton Mowbray Cheese Fair
Sun 21 Camden Market
Tue 23 Mystery Full Day
Thu 25 Constable Country & Essex
Sat 27 Warwick Market Day
Sun 28 Brighton
Tue 30 Family Seaside Mystery
Wed 31 American Museum & Bath

JUNE

Thu 1 Tank Museum
Thu 1 Monkey World
Fri 2 Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Fri 2 Doncaster
Sat 3 Skegness
Tue 6 Melton Mowbray Market Day
Wed 7 Sheringham & NNRW
Sat 10 Hunstanton
Sun 11 Great Yarmouth
Wed 14 Nottingham Cruise & Lunch
Thu 15 Nantwich Market Day
Sat 17 Cromer
Sun 18 Gardeners World with Good Food Show
Fri 23 National Arboretum & Lichfield
Fri 23 National Arboretum
Sat 24 Hovercraft Experience to Ryde
Sun 25 Swanage
Tue 27 Windsor Luxury Afternoon Tea Cruise

JULY

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Devika Day Centre launches at Hermitage House

Devika Care Company is thrilled to launch its new Dementia Day Centre at Hermitage House Care Home in Thrapston. The first session is due to take place on Tuesday 9th May at 10am-3pm. It will then be weekly, every Tuesday thereafter.

The Day Centre specialises in caring for those living with dementia, providing a range of meaningful activities and opportunities for friendship and companionship. Devika Day Centre is led by Caroline Ignatius, who named the company after her mum, Devika, who has been living with dementia for 13 years now. Caroline is passionate about dementia care and is devoted to providing support for others who may also be caring for a loved one at home, as this is something she has experienced herself.

"Our dementia day centre is here to provide support and care to those living in the community with mid-late stages of dementia, that may have additional personal care and behavioural needs. We are so grateful to Hermitage House for allowing us to hold these sessions in such a beautiful and safe environment," said Caroline.

"The sessions will be situated on the 1st floor of Hermitage House Care Home in The Old Coach House Pub, where we will provide dementia friendly activities on a secured floor, where you can enjoy the market square with an



ice-cream parlour and arts & crafts room. A light lunch and refreshments will also be provided, and we aim to have at least 1 carer for every 3 people. It's designed so that a carer can have 5 hours of much needed respite, but we welcome loved ones to stay for the duration of the session if that is their preference."

Home Manager Clare Hedge is delighted to host these sessions at the home, commenting: "The Devika Dementia Day Centres provide such a positive and meaningful impact for those living with dementia and we thought it would be a great addition to introduce it into the community of Thrapston."

To enquire about a place or to find out more information, please get in touch with Caroline on 07760357095 or carolineignatius@devikacarecompany.co.uk or visit www.devikacarecompany.co.uk for more details.

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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:

> **KINGS CLIFFE**

Replacement of existing dilapidated windows and doors with new double glazed units (Front and Rear), replicating look and colour of existing windows. Improving external appearance and improving energy conservation at 43 Park Street Kings Cliffe PE8 6XN (LB/CA) (Info) NE/23/00225/FUL (23 May 2023)

> **RUSHDEN**

Construction of one detached dwelling (North west plot) at Play Area Silverdale Grove Rushden (Info) (Part3) (Info) NE/23/00256/FUL (23 May 2023)

> **RUSHDEN**

Construction of one detached dwelling (South East plot) at Play Area Silverdale Grove Rushden (Info) (Part3) (Info) NE/23/00257/FUL (23 May 2023)

> **IRTHLINGBOROUGH**

Conversion of the former working mens club into eight 2 bedroom apartments and five 1 bedroom apartments; Change of use from Sui Generis (formerly A4) Drinking Establishment to C3 Residential at 1 Scarborough Street Irtlingborough NN9 5TT (LB/CA) (Info) NE/23/00321/FUL (23 May 2023)

> **GLAPTHORN**

Changes to Barns 2, 3 and 4 of the proposal approved under 18/00896/

LBC and 18/00895/FUL at Manor Farm Cotterstock Road Glapthorn (LBRegs) (Info) NE/23/00385/LBC (23 May 2023)

> **RUSHDEN**

Part demolition of existing factory boundary walls and new build development of 14 dwellings, consisting of 3 four-bed houses, 8 three-bed chalet bungalows, 2 two-bed chalet bungalows and 1 two-bed house with associated access, car parking, refuse storage & landscaping at Factory Oakley Road Rushden (Info) (Part3) (Info) NE/23/00292/FUL (23 May 2023)

> **YARWELL**

Variation of condition 2 to allow for amendments to the approved drawings pursuant to 19/00543/FUL Change of use to provide leisure facilities, site shop and amenities for caravan park residents, including demolition of agricultural buildings at Yarwell Mill Mill Road Yarwell PE8 6PS (Info) (Part3) (Info) NE/23/00279/VAR (23 May 2023)

> **WAKERLEY**

Proposed demolition of existing bungalow and construction of replacement dwelling at Waterways Main Street Wakerley LE15 8PA (Info) (LB/CA) (Info) NE/23/00275/FUL (23 May 2023)

> **RUSHDEN**

Outline Planning Application for a Sustainable Urban Extension comprising residential development of up to 2,200 dwellings (Class C3), residential institution (Class C2), up to 110,000 square metres of employment development (Classes B2 (General Industrial), B8 (Storage and

Distribution), E (comprising Office, Research and Development of Products or Processes and Industrial Processes)), two local centres, two primary schools, one secondary school, details of the principal accesses from A6 /John Clark Way roundabout and Newton Road, secondary vehicular and non-vehicular accesses, public open space including Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace, cemetery, allotments, noise mitigation features, drainage, primary sub-station utilities apparatus and associated engineering works, demolition of existing buildings, earthworks and ground remodelling (All matters reserved except Access) at Rushden East Urban Extension Liberty Way Rushden (Info) (Info) (Info) 20/01453/OUT (23 May 2023)

> **GLAPTHORN**

Variation of condition 16 to allow for design amendments to approved drawings pursuant to planning permission 18/00895/FUL dated 28.06.2018 - Conversion and Change of Use of Agricultural Buildings to 3 No. Residential Dwellings; Removal of 2 No. Modern Agricultural Buildings; Erection of 1 No. Residential Dwelling (resubmission of 17/01743/FUL) at Manor Farm Cotterstock Road Glapthorn (LB/CA) (Info) NE/23/00343/VAR (23 May 2023)

> **BRIGSTOCK**

Variation of Condition 22 to substitute some of the approved drawings pursuant to application 20/01359/FUL: Erection of 35 dwellings with associated open space, parking, landscaping and access at Land North Of Stanion Road Brigstock (Info) (Part3) (Info) NE/23/00297/VAR (23 May 2023)

> **RAUNDS**

Change of use of ground floor to retail shop. Change of use of upper floor to residential flat with internal and external alterations at Spire Works Park Road Raunds NN9 6JL (LBRegs) (Info) NE/23/00283/LBC (23 May 2023)

> **YARWELL**

Variation of condition 2 to allow for amendments to the approved drawings pursuant to 19/00544/LBC. Change of use to provide leisure facilities, site shop and amenities for caravan park residents, including demolition of agricultural buildings at Yarwell Mill Mill Road Yarwell PE8 6PS (LBRegs) (Info) NE/23/00330/VAR (23 May 2023)

The reason for applications being advertised is as follows:
Part3 - Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 2015.
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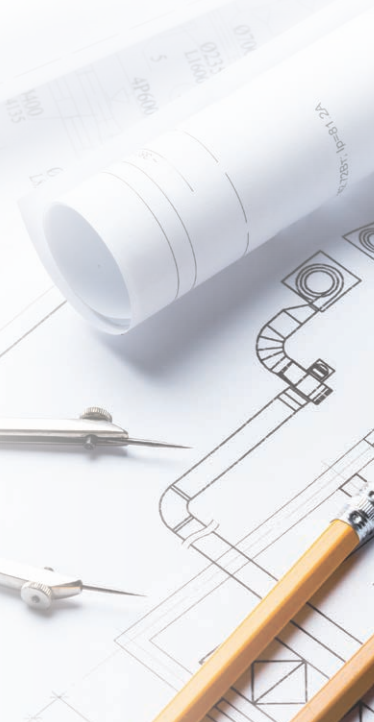
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IMPROVING SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

Residents are being invited to have their say on the future shape of services providing ‘short breaks’ for children with disabilities in Northamptonshire.

Short breaks are breaks for children and young people with disabilities which give them rich opportunities while also allowing their carers to have a break from caring to carry out other vital activities they may not otherwise be able to do.

Currently Northamptonshire Children’s Trust and the NHS Northamptonshire Integrated Care Board fund a range of different services from a number of different organisations to provide these breaks, ranging from residential and non-residential breaks, personal care and support, to holiday clubs, sensory impairment services and sleep support.

Having worked with parents and practitioners, the organisations have developed a potential new model for the services and are looking for feedback on this before going any further.

Julian Wooster, Chair of Northamptonshire Children’s Trust said: “Previous engagement with parents and practitioners highlighted how critical short break services are and provided some key insights into how these could be improved. It was clear from the sessions held that there was a need for increased early help, a simpler way for families

to access the services and for these services to be more flexible, better integrated with each other and provided in places closer to home.

“This feedback was critical in helping us design a potential new model, bringing everything together into a single service run and led by one organisation. Working with our partners, we are requesting feedback on this potential model.”

The new proposed model would bring all current short break services into one offer, led by one organisation – as opposed to the current situation where services are provided across a range of different organisations. The aim is to ensure these services are better joined up to meet the needs of families.

Chief Executive of NHS Northamptonshire Integrated Care Board, Toby Sanders said: “It is really important to get feedback on the potential new model for these services we are exploring. By looking at doing things differently this may mean that current services need to change as we look to use resources more effectively and improve the support for families.

“All the feedback received from this engagement will be used to develop the new model which we are hoping to be in place from April 2024.”

Workshops are being held for families and practitioners working in the field. If you are interested in attending a workshop please email sufficiency@nctrust.co.uk. A questionnaire has also been published to gauge views, to take part in the engagement please visit <https://westnorthants.citizenspace.com/nct/short-breaks-for-children-with-disabilities-2023>



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Town Council Meeting - Tuesday 25th April, 7.30pm

Planning & Development Committee Meeting - Tuesday 16th May 6.45pm

Environment and Recreation Committee Meeting - Tuesday 16th May 7.30pm

Town Council Meeting - Tuesday 30th May, 7.30pm

Farmers Market - Saturday 29th April, 9am - 1pm - Market Square

Farmers Market - Saturday 27th May 9am - 1pm - Market Square

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NENE VALLEY NEWS - EVENTS

> SATURDAY 29TH APRIL

Local Brass Bands join forces for Celebration Concert

Two of Northamptonshire's brass bands join together to celebrate King Charles III's coronation and the bands' esteemed histories. The GUS Band and The Corby Silver Band have over 200 years of music-making history between them – formed in 1933 and 1902, respectively. Speaking of the collaboration, The GUS Band's Professional Conductor, Dr David Thornton said: "This year marks the 90th anniversary of The GUS Band, so it seems particularly appropriate to celebrate this in the band's birthplace of Kettering alongside another local band with so much history." The concert also falls only a week before the King's coronation, and so fittingly, the concert will include repertoire performed at the late Queen Elizabeth II's coronation, including Elgar's Nimrod and Pomp and Circumstance. Tickets for this historic event are available to purchase now via www.priorbooking.com/e/celebration-concert-the-gus-band-and-corby-silver-band or via emailing concerts-gusband@hotmail.com.

> SUNDAY 30TH APRIL, 10.15AM

Whitefriars Church Morning Worship

Whitefriars Primary School, Boughton Drive, Rushden NN10 9HX. All are welcome.

> FRIDAY 5TH MAY, 1.30 TO 3.30PM

Rushden Whitefriars Church Retireds' Group – Coronation Cream Teas and talk by Liz Youngman on 'King Charles III and some history'

Bridge Community Office, Whitefriars Junior School, Boughton Drive, Rushden NN10 9HX. Free admission. Details from Celia Underwood (01933 676989). Those attending are welcome to bring any memorabilia from past Coronations.

> SATURDAY 6TH MAY, 7.30PM

Coronation Quiz Night

The Swan, Newton Bromswold. Entry fee is £10 for a team of 4. Proceeds to Friends of Newton Church. Contact Helen Lines 01933 315864.

> SUNDAY 7TH MAY, 10.15AM

Whitefriars Church Morning Worship

Whitefriars Primary School, Boughton Drive, Rushden NN10 9HX. All are welcome.

> SATURDAY 13TH MAY, 3PM

Spring Song Concert

St Rumbald Church, Stoke Doyle. Tickets £12.50 including tea and cakes. Liz: Mob 07713396130. Email emdoherty@sky.com. An afternoon of beautiful choral music by St Peter's Singers.

What's On at the Cowper & Newton Museum

> 1ST-31ST MAY, 11AM-4.30PM

Children's Garden Trail 'Interesting Insects'

Family fun time! Follow our trail and learn about beautiful, fascinating insects with our garden trail. Hidden in the garden are pictures of insects which William Cowper, Mrs Unwin and their friends would have seen in the Flower garden and Summer House garden, or on one of his many walks in the local countryside. What can you find out about them, and how many questions can you get right? £1.50 per trail includes a small prize. Usual admission applies for adults.

> 3RD-27TH MAY, 11AM-4.30PM

Three Hares Gallery: More than Art around Olney

Local and Motoring Artist David Purvis together with Landscape Artist Chris Madeley will be holding a joint exhibition of original paintings. The exhibition features many new original works, both local scenes and those from around the world. In addition, there will be framed and mounted prints, printed mugs and Olney jigsaws. Entry to the Gallery is free.

> 3RD AND 17TH MAY, 7.30PM-9PM

250 Voices – Singing Workshops in Olney

As part of the Amazing Grace 250 commemorations led by the Cowper & Newton Museum, choir leader Craig McLeish will be conducting a choir made up of 250 voices during the Milton Keynes Community Choir Festival on Saturday 17th June. For more details about joining the workshops leading up to this event: <https://cowperandnewtonmuseum.org.uk/events/250-voices-singing-workshops-in-olney/>

> 4TH AND 18TH MAY, 10.30AM-12.30PM

Refreshments in the Courtyard

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> 13TH AND 27TH MAY, 11.15AM-12.30PM

A Tour of the Museum

Your guide will greet you in the museum courtyard and take you around the museum to tell the stories of prolific writers William Cowper and John Newton. As we commemorate 250 years since Amazing Grace was written, find out how John Newton came to write this epic hymn, which is known around the world. Your guide will point out the highlights in the collection, including some of the original manuscripts produced by Cowper and Newton, along with other gems, including a miniature by William Blake. The cost is £3 in addition to standard admission. Please be aware that places are limited to 12. Please arrive at 11am to allow for ticket processing for the tour to start at 11:15am. Book via info@cowperandnewtonmuseum.org.uk

> 17TH MAY, 7PM-9PM

A Lecture Recital on Amazing Grace with Dr Martin Clarke

Venue: St Peter and St Paul Church, Olney. Join Dr Martin Clarke for this one-off lecture recital opportunity. Through "Amazing Grace", Dr Clarke will highlight some important points in the history of congregational singing in British churches. This event promises to be a fantastic learning opportunity though lecture, performance and singing participation from the audience! Free event, made possible by the Amazing Grace 250 commemoration. To book tickets, visit cowperandnewtonmuseum.org.uk

MEN UNITE FOR MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE CHARITY

Northampton Male Voice Choir, (NMVC) is challenging the men of Northamptonshire and surrounding areas to join with it to raise money for the great Northampton based charity, Motor Neurone Disease Association (MNDA).

NMVC Chairman, Mark York, says: "Men, of all ages, from curious novice to seasoned chorister, are invited to come along to the 'Open Evening' events we're holding this May and June and find out what NMVC's challenge is all about. This will be a great opportunity to meet choir members and our Music Team, enjoy a free beer and discover how you can help NMVC. All we're asking for is just a short-term commitment this summer and autumn to learn up to five popular songs under the guidance of NMVC Musical Director, Stephen Bell and go on to perform them with the full NMVC at our annual concert in aid of MNDA on 28th October 2023."

NMVC Open Evenings will be held on:

- Tues 9th May - 7pm - Towcesters Sports Club, Greens Norton Rd, Towcester, NN12 8AW
- Tue 23rd May - 7pm - Old



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Tuesday 23rd May 2023 - Old Northamptonians, Billing Road, Northampton NN1 5RX

Wednesday 7th June 2023 - Moulton Community Centre - Sandy Hill, Reedings, Northampton NN3 7AX

MARC BENTLEY
NMVC Recruitment Coordinator
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Northamptonians, Billing Road, Northampton NN1 5RX

- Wed 7th June - 7pm - Moulton Community Centre, Sandy Hill, Reedings, Northampton NN3 7AX

To secure your place at the

open evening of your choice, or if you'd like further information about NMVC's fundraising challenge, please contact NMVC Recruitment Coordinator, Marc Bentley on 07999942390 or marc.bentley23@gmail.com

NMVC website: www.nmvc.co.uk

NMVC YouTube Channel: www.youtube.com/channel/UCWCKnjss8p1LrO1NonSf0KQ

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TOM MOORHOUSE: GHOSTS IN THE HEDGEROWS

Friday 26th May at 7.45pm-8.45pm. The Glapthorn Room, Fletton House, Oundle PE8 4JA.

Hedgehogs are disappearing. Their numbers are estimated to have halved in less than 20 years. Why? Who could possibly have it in for the hedgehog when in poll after poll they come out top as our favourite mammal? Is it the car driver, the badger, the farmer, or the gardener?

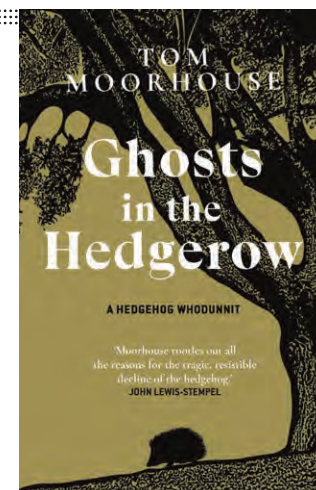
Magnifying glass in hand, Tom Moorhouse investigates the evidence. On a vital mission to bring those responsible to justice, prevent further murder and save a species, he uncovers a story full of twists, turns and uncomfortable truths about the trade-offs that exist between humans and wildlife.

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Dr Tom Moorhouse is a conservation research scientist who has worked for 20 years at the Wildlife Conservation Research Unit, part of Oxford University's Biology Department. His work has focussed on the conservation ecology of water



voles, the management of signal crayfish, hedgehog conservation and the impacts of wildlife tourism. He is the author of Elegy for a River and also award-winning children's fiction. He lives with his wife and daughter in Oxford.

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Tours run at 10am, 11.30am, 1.30pm and 3pm on both Saturday and Sunday at £8 per person. To find out more, and book your tickets, please visit: www.nenepark.org.uk/Event/longthorpe-tower-living-history-event

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NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
(SEATON ROAD, HARRINGWORTH)
(30MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2023

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that North Northamptonshire Council propose to make an Order under Sections 82, 83, 84 and Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") to prohibit any motor vehicle from travelling at a speed exceeding 30 mph along that length of Seaton Road, Harringworth as specified in the Schedule below.

A COPY of the proposed Order, together with a plan showing the exact length of road to which it relates and a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing to make the Order, may be inspected on the Council's website at www.northnorthants.gov.uk (search traffic regulation orders) and may also be inspected at Kier Highways, Brixworth Depot, Old Harborough Road, Brixworth, Northants, NN6 9BX at a time and date specified by appointment only by calling 01604 529700.

OBJECTIONS to the proposed Order, stating the grounds on which they are made should be sent in writing to the Traffic Orders Section, Kier Highways, Highways Depot, Harborough Road, Brixworth, Northampton NN6 9BX or by email to: NNCParkingenquiries@kier.co.uk no later than 20th May 2023.

Dated this 29th day of April 2023

DEBBIE CARTER-HUGHES,
Executive Director, Pathfinder Legal Services Ltd

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SCHEDULE

Seaton Road, Harringworth – from its junction with Gretton/Wakerley Road extending 253 metres in a north westerly direction.

NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14
(HARLEY WAY, BRIGSTOCK)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2023

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 Harley Way, Brigstock as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of Harley Way, Brigstock from A6116 Stanion Road to entrance to Cabin View.

REASON FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during the replacement of a stop tap.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 23rd May 2023 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 Stanion Road, Sudborough Road, Church Street, Hall Hill, High Street, Benefield Road, Cousin Way, Main Street, Oundle Road and Benefield Road.

If you require any further information please contact Steve Fowler
ref:- 22/23 – N650 Steve.Fowler@northnorthants.gov.uk PKG/T23/295

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14
(A605 OUNDLE ROAD, TITCHMARSH)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2023

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 A605 Oundle Road, Titchmarsh as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of the A605 Oundle Road, Titchmarsh from Raunds Road to B662 Clopton Road roundabout.

REASON FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during carriageway works.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 16th May 2023 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the road will be restricted until 30th May 2023.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use A14, A6116, A43, A47 and A1.

If you require any further information please contact Steve Fowler
ref:- 22/23 – N660 Steve.Fowler@northnorthants.gov.uk PKG/T23/327

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14
(THE HEDGE, RUSHDEN)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2023

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 The Hedge, Rushden as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of The Hedge, Rushden from St James Close to Prospect Avenue.

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

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 9th May 2023 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 St James Close, Handcross Way, Tollbar, Higham Road and Prospect Avenue.

If you require any further information please contact Steve Fowler
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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14
(WEST STREET, OUNDLE)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2023

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 West Street, Oundle as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of West Street, Oundle from the one way section of West Street from Stoke Hill.

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

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 8th May 2023 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the road will be restricted until 12th May 2023.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use Stoke Hill.

If you require any further information please contact Steve Fowler
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Dated this 29th day of April 2023

DEBBIE CARTER-HUGHES

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NATIONAL LOTTERY MILLIONAIRE AFFECTED BY BREAST CANCER GATHERS FELLOW WINNERS IN SUPPORT OF BREAST CANCER CHARITY

A group of National Lottery winners, who between them are worth over £12M, have spent a day helping a charity create very special treatment bags for women who are currently coping with breast cancer.

The group of mums, daughters and grandmothers, who have all been affected by breast cancer, were supporting fellow National Lottery winner Maxine Lloyd, who was compelled to give back to the charity Breast Friends Northamptonshire after it supported her when she had breast cancer.

Maxine, from Kettering, found out she had won £1M during her radiotherapy

treatment for breast cancer, and received a Breast Friends Northamptonshire treatment bag full of feel-good items like cosmetics, a blanket, a water bottle and even fluffy socks.

She said: "When I opened mine it was like a 'hug in a bag'. I had this support and kindness from people I had never met but knew exactly what I needed, and I will be forever grateful. They do an amazing job and it's now my turn to give back after my good fortune. With a little help from National Lottery friends who have themselves had a bit of lottery luck, but who have also been touched by breast cancer, we can help Breast Friends

continue to make a real difference to women with breast cancer."

Breast Friends Northamptonshire was started by founder Leonie Heard in 2017 after undergoing treatment for breast cancer. Leonie and her fellow volunteers continue to run workshops, organise day trips and various other events for this peer-to-peer support group during both treatment and aftercare.

The National Lottery winners provided the contents of the treatment bags and then packed them with Maxine and other volunteers from Breast Friends Northamptonshire. As a special thank you for all the amazing support given to women with breast cancer in the county, the winners hosted an afternoon tea for all the volunteers.

The National Lottery winners jumped at the chance to help Maxine, given that everyone in the group has been affected by breast cancer in some way.

Tracy Field from Essex has a similar story to Maxine, she too battled breast cancer before winning £2.5M on The National Lottery in 2008.

She said: "It was a very difficult time for

me. I had two operations and six months of chemotherapy and radiotherapy. The support I received helped me get through the dark times.

"The work this charity and many others across the UK do every single day is amazing and I applaud each and every one of these amazing and caring volunteers."

Founder of Breast Friends Northamptonshire, Leonie Heard said: "Some of the winners have been on a challenging journey themselves, others have helped because they feel the need to help. Whatever their circumstances, I just want to thank them all.

"I can't thank this group enough. What they have achieved in a day would take us weeks and we now have at least six months' worth of bags to support women across the county.

"Finally, their gift of an afternoon tea for the volunteers has made this a very special day."

Maxine, an occupational therapist for the NHS, was diagnosed with breast cancer in November 2021 after she noticed a change in her skin texture.

She had surgery in December and on Christmas Eve 2021 received the news that the lump had been successfully removed. Maxine continued to undergo chemotherapy and radiotherapy as there was a high chance the cancer could return, and it was during her radiotherapy treatment that she won £1M on The National Lottery's Mega Cash Showdown Instant Win Game in the summer of 2022.

Breast Friends Northamptonshire is a beneficiary of National Lottery funding. For more information and to support Breast Friends Northamptonshire visit: breastfriendsnorthamptonshire.org.uk

Thanks to National Lottery players, £30M is generated each week for National Lottery-funded projects like Breast Friends Northamptonshire. This money helps support everything from the local charity making a difference where you live through to helping our nations' athletes win medals at last summer's Commonwealth Games. To date, £47BN has been raised for National Lottery Good Causes, with more than 670,000 individual grants awarded.



Breast cancer National Lottery winners

National Lottery players can buy and check their tickets online by downloading the National Lottery app or at national-lottery.co.uk. Players can also buy and check tickets in retail. Playing online via the app or website means that your ticket is checked, and you get an email notification if you win a prize. You can also scan your retail tickets on the National Lottery app to check if you're a winner.

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