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NEWS IN BRIEF

New funding to benefit homeless adults with complex needs

Executive members have approved £802,562 funding over the next three years to support the increasing numbers of homeless people with complex needs in North Northamptonshire.

The decision, taken recently at North Northamptonshire Council's Executive meeting, means that a government funded programme of assistance, the Single Homelessness Accommodation Programme (SHAP), will provide suitable supported accommodation for rough sleepers with high levels of complex needs. These individuals are often challenging to place in other provisions because of their complexities and/or presenting risks to themselves and others.

The three-year programme provides funding to schemes which will support adults with a long history of cyclical rough sleeping, with the most complex needs, to recover from rough sleeping and its associated traumas.

Funding will be directed to areas where a robust data analysis has suggested high levels of need for accommodation and support towards target groups.

Local community foundation opens fund to support projects across rural Northamptonshire

Northamptonshire Community Foundation has raised over £137,000 so far through the Shining a Spotlight on Rural Community Needs appeal, which has enabled the launch of the Rural Community Needs Fund.

The Rural Community Needs Fund is the foundation's first to focus solely on rural Northamptonshire and will award grants of up to £10,000 to charities,

community groups and volunteer-led organisations working to address urgent needs within rural communities, such as access to community transport, fuel poverty, refurbishment of community buildings and equipment, access to wellbeing and health services, activities and education services for young people and support for older people.

Rachel McGrath, CEO at Northamptonshire Community



Foundation, said: "The Rural Community Needs Fund is the result of support from our incredibly generous donors and partners, and match funding from the Constance Travis Charitable Trust.

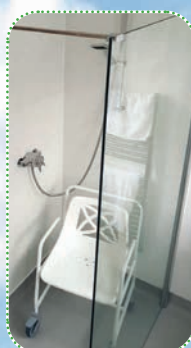
"At Northamptonshire Community Foundation, we're passionate about improving the lives of all our county's residents, so we're thrilled to be able to launch this fund to focus on those living in our local rural

areas. With grant awards of up to £10,000, we're able to ensure that groups and projects across rural Northamptonshire can have life-changing positive impacts on their beneficiaries."

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Northamptonshire Community Foundation launched their Shining a Spotlight on Rural Community Needs appeal in March 2023, to ensure rural communities receive their fair share of funding.

Northamptonshire ACRE (Action with Communities in Rural England), an independent charity working within rural Northamptonshire to improve residents' quality of life, partnered with the foundation to launch the appeal, lending their expertise in rural communities to ensure that the most urgent needs could be highlighted and met by proceeds of the appeal.

Following the launch of the Rural Community Needs Fund, Elaine O'Leary, Chief Executive of Northamptonshire ACRE, said: "Just like Northamptonshire Community Foundation, at Northamptonshire ACRE we are committed to taking action to improve the lives of residents living in our local rural communities. That's why we were delighted to partner on the foundation's Shining a

Spotlight on Rural Community Needs appeal and why we are very excited about the launch of the Rural Community Needs Fund.

"This fund will be invaluable to the volunteer groups who selflessly deliver much needed support to residents in their community, whether helping to run the village hall, set up village events and activities or fundraising to improve the lives of the citizens in their village."

Applications to the Rural Community Needs Fund are now open and will close on Friday 5th April 2024. To find out more about the fund, and to fill in the application form, visit www.ncf.uk.com/rural-community-needs-fund

To support Northamptonshire Community Foundation's Shining a Spotlight on Rural Community Needs appeal, visit www.ncf.uk.com/our-work/shining-a-spotlight-on-rural-community-needs

GENEALOGY JOTTINGS

WORDS BY
JAN PEARSON

Last time, I mentioned that The Proceedings of the Old Bailey may show details of the court cases in which your ancestors were involved. However, if the case took place other than at the Old Bailey, then those good old newspapers would be the best place to look. The amount of detail can be quite phenomenal – they didn't pull any punches back then!

Researching an ancestor of someone recently led me to their being charged with stealing a half sovereign. The newspaper report covered the case but from it there is certainly doubt shown over the chap's guilt. However, even though the jury found him guilty, they recommended him to mercy, which is why he received just 6 months' imprisonment! It also explained why he was not with his wife and children on the 1871 census.

In my family tree I have one Sophia Chapman who was found guilty of stealing one blanket, two pairs of silk stockings, two pairs of cotton stockings, two pairs of woollen stockings, the property of the Rev John Hailstone, vicar

of Shudy Camps in Cambridgeshire. Owing to the fact that the vicar had known Sophia all her life and that she had been of previous good character, she was sentenced to 7 years transportation to Australia – leaving her husband and baby behind. Not as fortunate was the guilty party in the previous case heard, which had been for a similar crime, and who received the death penalty...

Punishment was certainly harsh back in the day. Mind you, it will only be 60 years this year since the last executions in the UK. Peter Anthony Allen and Gwynne Owen Evans were hanged on Thursday 13th August 1964. This was for the murder of John Alan West in Seaton, Workington, Cumbria. I can remember that being on the news – as I expect some of our older readers will as well.

That's a cheery note to end on!

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New luxury short-stay apartments open in Oundle following renovation works

Oundle has three newly launched luxury short-stay apartments following a six-month renovation of the Grade II listed No.1 Market Place. Combining the best of heritage and contemporary styles with meticulous attention to detail, they offer the perfect spot to set up camp whether you are in town for business, or looking for somewhere to relax whilst in the area for a wedding, or indeed for Speech Day at Oundle School.

The locally based Gracecliffe Developments purchased No.1 Market Place in Spring 2021, working over the latter half of 2023 to renovate the building to provide Oundle with three luxurious short stay flats, right in the centre of town.

Simon Grace, Gracecliffe Developments said: "It's a beautiful building in a prime town centre location. Although it had received very little attention over a long period of time and was in a poor state of repair, its potential was obvious.

"We felt it deserved to be reinvigorated and we have now completed the refurbishment of

the flats, communal areas and courtyard and are thrilled with the results. We were delighted to work with local trades throughout this project and everyone involved was based within a 10-mile radius of the building. That was important to us."

Gracecliffe Developments was pleased to work with R E Newton from Nassington as the main contractor, supported by Oundle-based Intone Design on kitchens and bathrooms, Strawberry Fields Fabrics and Interiors, Stamford, and Oundle Carpets on flooring throughout.

Simon continued: "The flats are now available for short-term lets and we hope they will encourage more people to visit Oundle and its ever-improving range of independent shops and eateries."

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TOURISM STRATEGY FOR NORTHAMPTONSHIRE OFFICIALLY LAUNCHED

To coincide with this year's English Tourism Week, a brand-new tourism strategy for the county has been launched by North Northamptonshire Council (NNC) and West Northamptonshire Council (WNC).

The Northamptonshire Tourism Strategy sets out a vision and approach to nurturing and enhancing the county's visitor economy and aims to improve pride in place, generate inward investment and create new employment opportunities as well as reduce carbon emissions in line with both councils' sustainability goals.

The strategy, which has been developed over an 18-month period and co-produced by WNC and NNC alongside partners and stakeholders from across the public, private and voluntary and community sectors, will be implemented between now and 2030 focussing on 4 key themes: Visits and Value, Great People, Better Business and Inspirational Places.

A total of 150 representatives from across the industry, both councils and stakeholders gathered for an event at Northampton Museum and Art Gallery on 19th March to hear about opportunities to progress the

development of a Northamptonshire Local Visitor Economy Partnership, as well as see the new strategy and hear from presenters including Visit England.

National statistics show Northamptonshire receives over 18 million visits each year. This totals a spend of close to £1 billion which supports over 30,000 jobs and 3,000 businesses across the county, including a wide range of attractions, hotels, pubs and other amazing venues that visitors value and enjoy. NNC and WNC want to grow this economy to not only support local businesses and increase footfall and spend, but to raise the profile of Northamptonshire on a global scale as a unique destination to visit time and time again.

Cllr Helen Howell, NNC's Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Sport, Leisure, Culture and Tourism, said:

"While we all know that Northamptonshire is a hidden gem, combining gorgeous countryside, ancient woodlands and cultural treasures, we need to let the rest of the world hear what's on offer and invite them to relish in our county's grandeur.

"The recent 2023 cinema smash Saltburn showcased the stunning

heritage we have right on our doorstep at the wonderful Drayton House but this is just a tiny slice of what we have, with the county bursting with stately homes and countless honey-stone villages. We really are the envy of others around the globe.

"I'm tremendously proud that we're part of a partnership which has launched a new tourism strategy for our county and we're determined to work with the industry and local businesses and attractions to ensure that Northamptonshire's visitor economy is supported to maximise tourism.

"Whilst both councils are working together on delivering the strategy, we are also committed to our respective areas and, here in the North, we have provisionally been allocated £5 million from Government which will help develop our cultural offering even further."

Cllr Daniel Lister, Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Town Centre Regeneration & Growth at WNC, said: "Everyone in Northamptonshire knows our area is a unique destination for every resident, visitor, business and investor to enjoy time and time again, before relocating here permanently.

"The offer of this county combines the beauty of the Cotswolds with the excitement of London; there is an unlimited number of things to see, do and experience and we know that the strength of our combined voices will continue to get Northamptonshire

showcased on a global stage. We are dedicated to working with as many partners as possible to enhance the local visitor economy and achieve pride in place for everyone within the area.

The strategy can be viewed on the Discover Northamptonshire website.

Winner announced

Rushden Town Council is pleased to announce the winner of its 'Don't Rubbish Rushden' poster competition.

The council received a huge response and picking a winner was a very difficult decision. However, after careful consideration they are pleased to announce that Samuel Shane, who attends Rushden Academy, is the overall winner for producing an inspiring poster.

The council would like to thank everyone who participated, as each entry demonstrated artistic talent, together with a concern for the environment and the wellbeing of our town.

As it was such a difficult task to pick a winner, it has been decided that all the posters received will be displayed on public noticeboards throughout the next few months.



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VISITORS POTTY ABOUT POTTERY AS HIGHAM FERRERS WRAPS UP DISPLAY

Inspired by a clay centrepiece on display at the Northamptonshire Tourism Visitor Hub at Rushden Lakes, Higham Ferrers organisers decided to hold a weekend craft workshop.

And visitors – young and old – were thrilled at the amulets and friendship bracelets and various ornaments that they turned out.

Higham Ferrers Tourism and HiFARS

(Higham Ferrers Archaeological and Research Society) volunteers were on hand at the Heritage Crafts Family Workshop to show visitors how to work with clay and wool and fashion jewellery and ornaments – and even little dinosaurs – which they were able to take home to paint once the clay had dried.

The workshop marked the end of the four-month display by Higham Ferrers Tourism,

HiFars and the Higham Ferrers Town Council.

The clay centrepiece on display at the Northamptonshire Tourism Visitor Hub was a commissioned replica Samian ware bowl, based on original pottery sherds uncovered at the Roman excavation site in Kings Meadow, Higham Ferrers.

Rachel Smyth, Deputy Chair of HiFARS was on duty with volunteers on the first day of the workshop and Olwen Mayers, the HiFARS Chair, on the second.

Carol Fitzgerald, who is on the Higham Ferrers Tourism Committee, tried her hand at making pottery jewellery and said she was looking forward to seeing what it turned out like once it was painted.

Some 350 Higham Ferrers schoolchildren will also be able to do similar craftwork during the Higham Ferrers Tourism-run Great Big Green Week held at the town's Chichele College, starting 8th June.

And there is another chance for people to get creative at the HiFARS' annual Archeology Allsorts on 27th and 28th July.

Liz Barnatt, Chair of Higham Ferrers Tourism, who attended the crafts family workshop, said that an Open Gardens event is being planned for 16th June and appealed for anyone interested in showing off their gardens to get in touch with her on: liz.barnatt@gmail.com



Carol Fitzgerald, who is on the Higham Ferrers Tourism Committee, turned her hand to pottery



Rachel Smyth of HiFARS, explains to Kaiden Lander, 6, (centre) and Riley Lander, 9, how to use their rolled-out clay to fashion souvenirs



Three-year-old Rhys Bremner, who was visiting the Northamptonshire Tourism Visitor Hub at Rushden Lakes with his grandmother Gill Bremner, rolled out the wet clay then took his dinosaur-shaped souvenir home to paint


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NNC set to receive nearly £3m for electric vehicle infrastructure

North Northamptonshire Council (NNC) will receive a funding boost from central Government to help deliver a network of publicly available electric charging points across the local area.

The council was provisionally allocated £2,895,000 of funding and had to provide a business case on how the funding would be spent. This business case has now been approved and NNC will receive all of the allocated funding.

The funding will be used to deliver a network of publicly available electric vehicle charging points to all 12 towns across North Northamptonshire, with a particular focus on supporting residents who are not able to charge an electric vehicle at home.

Recent figures indicate there are currently 169 charge points in North Northamptonshire, the council are planning to raise this to at least 250 by the end of 2025.

Cllr Matt Binley, the council's Executive Member for

Highways, Travel and Assets, said: "As a council we have been taking a detailed look at our electric vehicle infrastructure and consulted on our draft strategy last year. We are conscious of the expected rise in the number of electric vehicle users and want to ensure that our infrastructure can keep up with demand.

"The funding we are now set to receive from Government will make a massive difference and help facilitate our electric vehicle infrastructure strategy."

Jason Smithers, Leader of North Northamptonshire Council, said: "With this funding provided by Government, we are now well positioned to extend the local electric charging network. This supports residents who are looking to switch to electric vehicles and in turn contributes to our

overall goal to make North Northamptonshire net zero.

"This funding will be integral in helping us towards our goal of having 80% of residents, without off-street parking, within 250m of a public electric vehicle charging point by the end of 2029."

Technology and Decarbonisation Minister Anthony Browne said: "This Government has a plan to help speed up the installation of EV chargepoints, which we're getting on and delivering.

"This dedicated funding to local councils is part of our plan to ensure people can switch from a petrol or diesel car to an EV when they choose to do so."

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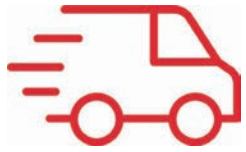
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ORDER 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that North Northamptonshire Council intends to make an Order under Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 32, 35 to 39 and 45 to 55 and Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") to amend "The Northamptonshire County Council (East Northamptonshire District) (Waiting and Loading Restrictions and On-Street Parking Places) (Consolidation) Order 2009" as specified in the Schedule below.

A COPY of the proposed Order, together with a plan showing the exact lengths of roads 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, Harborough Road, Brixworth, Northants, NN6 9BX at a time and date specified by appointment only by calling 01604 529700.

OBJECTIONS to the proposed Orders, stating the grounds on which they are made should be sent in writing to the Traffic Orders Section, Kier Highways, Brixworth Depot, Harborough Road, Brixworth, Northants, NN6 9BX or by email: NNCparkingenquiries@kier.co.uk by 20th April 2024.

Dated this 30th day of March 2024

ADELE WYLIE, Executive Director of Customer & Governance
(Monitoring Officer)

P/2018

SCHEDULE PROPOSED NO WAITING AT ANYTIME RESTRICTIONS (DOUBLE YELLOW LINES)

Oundle Road, Warrington – Southern side of Oundle Road from the junction with Unnamed Road for an unbroken distance of 210 metres in a south-westerly direction. Northern side of Oundle Road from the junction with Unnamed Road for a distance of 97 metres in a south-westerly direction to the entrance to the drive through facility. Northern side of Oundle Road from the drive through entrance for a distance of 70 metres in a south-westerly direction to the petrol station exit. Northern side of Oundle Road from the petrol station exit for a distance of 41 metres to the petrol station entrance.

NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
(SEATON ROAD, HARRINGWORTH)
(30 MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that North Northamptonshire Council have made 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 Order may be inspected at Kier Highways, Brixworth Depot, Harborough Road, Brixworth, Northants, NN6 9BX at a time and date specified by appointment only by calling 01604 529700. A copy of the Order can also be obtained on request by emailing NNCparkingenquiries@kier.co.uk

If you wish to question the validity of the Order or of any provisions contained in it on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or on the grounds that any requirement of that Act, or of any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order, you may, within six weeks from the date of this Notice apply to the High Court for this purpose.

The Order will become effective on 1st April 2024.

Dated this 30th day of March 2024

ADELE WYLIE, Executive Director of Customer & Governance
(Monitoring Officer)

P/1951

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
(STOKE DOYLE ROAD, OUNDLE)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2024

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 Stoke Doyle Road, Oundle as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of Stoke Doyle Road, Oundle from the junction with Warren Bridge into Stoke Hill.

REASON FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during masonry repairs to A&D damaged parapet.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 22nd April 2024 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 West Street, New Street, Black Pot Lane, Station Road, Oundle Bypass and Stoke Doyle Road.

If you require any further information please contact Steve Fowler
ref:- 23/24 – N524 Steve.Fowler@northnorthants.gov.uk PKG/T24/099

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14
(Oundle Road, LUTTON)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2024

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 Oundle Road, Lutton as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of Oundle Road, Lutton from Tansor Road to Warrington Road.

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

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 23rd April 2024 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 two days.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use Emington Road, Luddington Road, B660, Main Street and Bullock Road.

If you require any further information please contact Steve Fowler
ref:- 23/24 – N557 Steve.Fowler@northnorthants.gov.uk PKG/T24/143

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14
(LOWICK LANE, ALDWINCLE)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2024

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 Lowick Lane, Aldwincle as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of Lowick Lane, Aldwincle from the junction of Baulks Lane to the junction with Main Street.

REASON FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during tree trimming.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 16th April 2024 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 one day.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use Main Street and Lowick Road.

If you require any further information please contact Steve Fowler
ref:- 23/24 – N570 Steve.Fowler@northnorthants.gov.uk PKG/T24/170

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14
(NEWTON LANE, SUDBOROUGH)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2024

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 Newton Lane, Sudborough as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of Newton Lane, Sudborough for its entire length.

REASON FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during tree trimming.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 9th April 2024 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 one day.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use Main Street and Brigstock Road.

If you require any further information please contact Steve Fowler
ref:- 23/24 – N569 Steve.Fowler@northnorthants.gov.uk PKG/T24/169

Dated this 30th day of March 2024

ADELE WYLIE,
Executive Director of Customer & Governance (Monitoring Officer)

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Nene Valley News - **EVENTS**

> SATURDAY 30TH MARCH, 10AM TO 1PM

Volunteering Day at Midshires Covert

Kelmarsh Road, Harrington NN6 9ND.
Opportunities for conservation work followed by food cooked on the campfire – with Forest School activities from Fox's Den Forest School. Details from Andrew Presland, 01933 316927.

> SUNDAY 31ST MARCH, 10.15AM

Whitefriars Church Easter Sunday Worship

At Whitefriars Primary School, Boughton Drive, Rushden NN10 9HX. All are welcome. Details from Andrew Presland, 01933 316927.

> FRIDAY 5TH APRIL, 1.30PM TO 3PM

Rushden Whitefriars Church Retireds' Group

Singing by Alan & Christine Goodger at

the Bridge Community Office, Whitefriars Primary School, Boughton Drive Rushden NN10 9HX. Free admission. Details from Celia Underwood, 01933 676989.

> SUNDAY 7TH APRIL, 10.15AM

Whitefriars Church Morning Worship

at Whitefriars Primary School, Boughton Drive, Rushden NN10 9HX. All are welcome. Details from Andrew Presland, 01933 316927.

> SATURDAY 13TH APRIL, 7.30PM

Nene Voices Concert

Glaphorn Church, PE8 5BE. Varied programme (classical and light) from two sopranos and baritone followed by refreshments, £15. 07581 255036 or email: st.leonards.glaphorn@gmail.com



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

Calling all knitters and crocheters

Rushden Town Council is inviting knitters and crocheters to participate in a special project to commemorate the 80th anniversary of D-Day.

Crafters are invited to create a 15cm figure of their choosing portraying a World War Two soldier. The woollen exhibition will be displayed at Rushden Hall.

On 6th June 1944, military forces from the United Kingdom, the United States, Canada and France launched a co-ordinated assault against German forces along the northern coast of France.

This monumental operation, recognised as the D-Day or Normandy landings, stands as one of the most expansive military endeavours in history, encompassing naval, air and ground forces. The objective was clear: initiate the campaign to free Nazi-occupied territories in north-western Europe.

Rushden Hall D-Day 80 Knitting Project

Attention all knitters and crocheters!

Join us in honouring the 80th anniversary of the Normandy landings by knitting or crocheting a 15cm WW2 soldier to contribute to our exhibition at Rushden Hall.

- Patterns and wool available.

For further information, please contact: info@rushdentowncouncil.gov.uk

Or visit: www.rushdentowncouncil.gov.uk
Closing date: 31st May, 2024

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Peterborough Cultural Alliance celebrates Arts Council funding success

Peterborough Cultural Alliance (PCA) is celebrating a grant award of over half a million pounds from Arts Council England, which will make a significant impact in delivering Peterborough's Cultural Strategy and put Peterborough firmly on the cultural map.

This significant funding will help grow the cultural infrastructure, ensuring stable growth; bring Peterborough together by galvanising arts, culture and heritage programmes; and build a cultural plan, fit for a dynamic and growing city, reflecting its rich diversity and potential.

By receiving this Place Partnership Fund grant, Peterborough Cultural Alliance has

proved it has met the very high standards of Arts Council England and is being trusted to deliver lasting change for Peterborough. Working closely with Peterborough City Council and other partner organisations, the PCA aims to build cultural and civic pride, uniting communities and transforming the cultural landscape of the city.

Sughra Ahmed, Director of Peterborough Cultural Alliance says: "This award marks a significant step in our commitment and investment in Peterborough's cultural capital. We are very grateful to Arts Council England for this voice of immense confidence in us. It will help us grow as an organisation, hold important conversations that turn into positive action, in the hope that all of our cultural voices are being heard and grow into authentic reflections of this growing and dynamic city. This funding will impact us all – we value all of our communities. This is



our home – we all bring our culture to the city which makes us who we are."

A representative from Arts Council England said: "We're thrilled to be able to award the Peterborough Cultural Alliance with this substantial grant from our Place Partnership Fund grants programme, made possible

by players of the National Lottery. This is an exciting project that will galvanise the local arts and creative sectors and bring about key strategic partnerships. We look forward to the creative and cultural opportunities that will come about in Peterborough as a result of this funding."



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