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COVID-19 vaccination sites outlined



Our colleagues at the NHS CCG have further outlined where booster and other COVID-19 vaccinations can now be received.

People can walk in for a booster vaccine at <u>selected sites</u> across the county if they receive notification from the NHS to do so or book an appointment at a local GP or pharmacy.

Those over 16 are still being urged to take up the offer of first and second doses if they haven't already. Anyone can find their nearest vaccination site and book an appointment on the NHS website or by calling 119.

You can find out more about who is eligible and where to get a flu vaccine here.

Don't forget too keep taking a regular COVID-19 lateral flow test at home or at one of our <u>Community Testing</u> sites. Remember if anyone has symptoms they should <u>book a test</u>.

For all enquiries on Vaccination appointments please visit <u>Nottingham and Nottinghamshire's CCG website.</u>

Leader responds to HS2 and Integrated Rail Plan news



Our Leader Cllr Simon Robinson has responded on recent news from central government on HS2 and the Integrated Rail Plan.

He said: "I am delighted that the government is making a significant investment into the East Midlands with the delivery of HS2 to East Midlands Parkway in Rushcliffe and other significant transport upgrades in the region.

"I am excited about any opportunities in conjunction with government and partners for projects that can deliver economic prosperity to the East Midlands. As a partner in the East Midlands Development Corporation we are extremely pleased that it will be accelerated through forthcoming legislation.

"We await further details to be confirmed but we are confident that investment from the Integrated Rail Plan will bring sizeable opportunities and huge benefit for the region."

Fly-tipper dumping items half a mile from home given community order



A roofer who fly-tipped materials just half a mile from his home has been given a 100 hour unpaid work community order and lost his job in "a moment of stupidity" a court has heard.

We prosecuted Connor Litowczuk, 25, for leaving seven builders' waste bags of slate roof tiles, cement, cement packaging, lead flashing, sealant tubes and takeaway drinks cartons at Fox Covert Lane near Barton in Fabis on April 7 this year.

The location had been under surveillance

due to an increase in fly-tips at the site and even had 'no fly-tipping' signs in place which indicates CCTV may be in operation within the immediate area.

Read more on our website.

West Bridgford Christmas Lights Switch On music and performance bill confirmed!



West Bridgford's free Christmas
Lights Switch On makes a longawaited return on Saturday
November 27 from 10am until 6pm
and its bill of live music, local groups
and performers has been confirmed!
Seasonal festivities will take place
on Central Avenue in the town
throughout the day with a food and
gift market, other great local retail
shops open all day, street theatre
entertainment and a firework

spectacular after the lights are turned on at 5pm by our Mayor Cllr Sue Mallender.

Music and street art performances will be on offer on the Main Stage based on the Croquet Lawn adjacent to Central Avenue and the Street Performance Zone close to Tudor Square.

Read more on our website.

Fly-tipping hits four-year low thanks to crackdown with nearly 100 fines



Our action on fly-tipping has increased hugely since the beginning of 2021 with nearly 100 fixed penalty notices being issued to those found blighting local spots with domestic or commercial waste prompting the lowest recorded cases in four years.

Instances of fly-tipping have so far this year reduced by over 30% coinciding with our partnership with Waste Investigations Support & Enforcement (WISE) to undertake increased enviro

crime enforcement.

This tougher stance has resulted in 81 fixed penalty notices at £400 each being issued since January to those found to have deposited waste illegally and a further nine fines for householders or businesses handing over to non-registered carriers who have subsequently dumped items.

Read more on our website.

First look at new cycle bridge designs as people invited to have their say



A reminder that proposals for an exciting scheme that will see a new pedestrian and cycle crossing built over the River Trent were shared on November 8.

The new Waterside Bridge, funded through the Government's Transforming Cities Fund, will offer a huge boost to the routes available for cyclists, pedestrians and runners, providing a quieter, safer option for

commuter and leisure trips between the Waterside regeneration area on the north bank and Lady Bay on the south.

In addition, new and enhanced connecting paths and crossing points will connect the bridge to the wider walking and cycling network, providing access to housing, employment and open spaces across the city and beyond.

Read more on our website.

Free timers available to help our residents leave a light on and deter crime



A reminder free timers that enable residents to leave a light on in their properties and help deter criminal activity in their neighbourhoods are available from our Customer Service Centre and contact points.

Alongside partners Nottinghamshire Police, we are encouraging residents to use the 24-hour timers to switch lights on at specific times and reduce the number of hours their home is left in darkness.

If a house does not have any lights on, it

is more likely to be targeted by burglars who could assume it is unoccupied.

Read more on our website.

Get great discounts and prizes when you combat climate change with Green Rewards!



We're encouraging all to join Green Rewards and earn great discounts, vouchers and prizes at local businesses and projects in their community for playing their part to combat climate change and achieve net zero!

Sign up for free now or download the Green Rewards app on iOS and Android. Search for 'Notts; Green Rewards' in your device's app store.

We and all fellow eight local Councils in Notts have joined forces to fund the app and web platform, building on the success of similar campaigns at local universities.

It means you can accumulate points and earn discounts and vouchers at local businesses for many activities you do every day at home or out and about that help lower your carbon footprint, supporting our Carbon Clever project and Climate Change Strategy.

Read more on our website.

Planning applications



The latest planning applications can be viewed on <u>our website.</u>

All the latest information for residents is available on the <u>Coronavirus webpages</u> or over the phone on 0115 981 99 11.