

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Introducing Eni!



Eniola (Eni) Ogundeko is the new Resilience Officer for North West Leicestershire District Council (NWLDC). She started with the Council early this year having taken over from John Brown who retired in December.

We have seen numerous incidents locally and nationally and communities have played an important part in these by rallying round their counterparts.

Part of Eni's role includes engaging with the community to improve community resilience, thus helping to ensure that they are better prepared for incidents.

Eni states, "I am looking forward to working with you and progressing on the work John Brown did to make North West Leicestershire a more resilient place."

Contact Eni, [email](#) or phone 01530 454 680 / 07730 583 247

Eni works two days a week at NWLDC offices, these days can vary.

Do you live in a privately rented house?

North West Leicestershire District Council is launching a housing campaign to look at licensable properties as well as those with poor standards. The project will be launched in Kegworth at the end of January and seeks to identify properties that require a licence yet remain unlicensed and/or have poor conditions.

If you live in a privately rented house where five or more people live who are not a family, the property should be licensed by NWLDC as a House in Multiple Occupation (HMO).

If you are concerned about a licensed property or one in poor condition, please contact [Environmental Protection](#).

Severn Trent Community Fund

Severn Trent Community Fund is a programme that aims to support community wellbeing and sustain water resources within the Severn Trent area.

The programme will distribute grants of £2,000 - £250,000 for local initiatives that meet certain criteria.

See the [website for more information](#).



Not for profit organisations, local authorities and parish councils can apply for a grant.

No closing dates for applications. The programme will have quarterly panels in March, June, September and December.

Key dates

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN EVENT

WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH, NWLDC, COUNCIL OFFICES 5.00 - 7.30 PM

PARISH LIAISON MEETING

WEDNESDAY 3 JUNE, NWLDC, COUNCIL OFFICES 5.00 - 7.00 PM

CLERKS ONLY MEETING

WEDNESDAY 2 SEPTEMBER, NWLDC, COUNCIL OFFICES 5.00 - 7.00 PM

British Spring Clean

#PickYourOwnStreet

#GBSpringClean

The Great British Spring Clean 2020 dates for Coalville and Ashby are:

Coalville – Sat 28 March

Ashby de la Zouch – Sat 4 April



Volunteers have attended past events in Ashby de la Zouch and Coalville town centres. This year NWLDC is looking at a different approach for Coalville.

Residents will be encouraged to sign up to 'Pick your Own Street'.

Previously the focus has been on Ashby Road and around the Clock Tower, with volunteers making their way back to Hermitage FM for refreshments.

This year, Environmental Protection is looking to use Coalville Market as a base for people to meet and enjoy refreshments after the pick. The finer details are still to be agreed but we are looking for volunteer leaders to sign up people who live on their street.

Promote your litter picks [here!](#)

Flood Wardens



Following the recent floods, there has been a lot of interest from people wanting to become flood wardens to support their local communities.

The Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland Resilience Partnership has a recommendation that every parish has at least two to three wardens, not just those parishes that have a large river, brook or watercourse running through their area.

Three training sessions are being delivered in partnership with the Environment Agency.

13 February, Hinckley, 6-8pm

12 March, Oakham, 6-8pm

26 March, Coalville, 6-8pm

If you are interested in becoming a Community Flood Warden please book onto a session.

For further details please contact:

emergency.management@leics.gov.uk

Tel: 0116 30 56101

To find out which areas are at risk within your parish [click here](#).

Armed Forces Covenant

The Armed Forces Covenant is a means to develop a relationship with members of the Armed Forces community who work and live in your local area. Details are on the [Covenant website](#).

Across the UK, over 4500 organisations have signed the Covenant. Of these, 492 are in the East Midlands, with a number of Parish Councils having already signed. More parish and town councils are being encouraged to take part. A template will be shared separately to you.

Key to this are the bespoke pledges in Section 2 that may be edited to suit your circumstances. Those who sign the Covenant will receive an Armed Forces Covenant logo to use. The Covenant will be registered with the MOD and included on the Defence online list.

Signing the Covenant qualifies for a Bronze award in the Defence [Employer Recognition Scheme](#).

After signing the Covenant you can [submit an application](#).



Neighbourhood Plan Event - Wednesday 4 March

NWLDC is holding a Neighbourhood Plan event for North West Leicestershire parish and town councillors and clerks.

This event will share the benefits of having a plan in place and advise what support is on offer from different services, including NWLDC, Leicestershire County Council and Locality. This is an opportunity to understand the process better, with sessions led by parishes who have had experience in developing a neighbourhood plan.

[Book on via eventbrite...](#) look forward to seeing you there!