

Tuesday January 14, 2019

Thank you for an incredible 13 tonnes of food and clothes donations to the Friary



We're thanking residents for their exceptional generosity when they donated an incredible record 13 tonnes of food and clothing to those in need at homeless charity the Friary.

Residents across the Borough donated items when they placed their bin out for collection last week (January 6-10) and our waste team busily collected the charitable gifts, many from its most needed list.

Thousands of drinks, snacks, tins of food, hats, scarves, gloves, socks, trousers, underwear and shoes will now be distributed in the coming months in the fourth year of the project with the items stored for free at Edwalton Golf Centre in containers courtesy of Concept Accommodation Ltd.

The number of donations has increased by over a tonne after a similar effort in January last year and is an increase of three tonnes on the same initiative in 2018.

Our Leader Cllr Simon Robinson said: "Residents' generosity has again been astonishing, we thank everyone who has taken the time to place items out with their bin.

"It's not just the volume of items that everyone has so kindly given but the thought so many people have gone to and checked the most needed items list that will benefit those in need who use the Friary's services.

"Last year our waste teams collected a phenomenal 12 tonnes so to surpass that figure this year is a real achievement and praise must also go to them, dedicating extra hours to collect so many items."

Volunteers will soon begin sorting the items so they can be used at the charity's centre in West Bridgford, which offers advice, health and practical support services to those who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

Paul Randle, vice-chairman of the Friary said: "A thank you to the exceptional generosity of the people of Rushcliffe who have come up trumps again and the work of the Borough Council.

"It raises the profile of the charity in the Borough and it's just the most superb initiative, we couldn't survive without the support of the community, we can't thank them enough."

Anyone who missed the chance to donate with the kerbside collections can still do so at the Council's Customer Contact Centre on Rectory Road in West Bridgford.

Remember to leave a light on this winter



Residents are being reminded to leave a light on this winter to deter criminals from operating in their local community.

We are working with Nottinghamshire Police once again to raise awareness on property safety during the darker months.

If a house is left in darkness, it appears unoccupied and is therefore more likely to be targeted by burglars.

A limited supply of 24 hour timers are currently available for free at the authority's sites across the Borough, including the Community Contact Centre in West Bridgford and contact points in Cotgrave, Bingham and East Leake.

Grant available for elite athletes



Elite athletes across the Borough are being invited to apply for grant funding to support their efforts in their chosen sport.

Our Elite Sports Grant is available with grants of up to £400 that aim to reduce some of the financial burden of competing at an advanced level that can often create a barrier to achievement.

Funds may help with costs such as travel, training, accommodation, competition fees and

equipment, specialist coaching and other specialist support deemed appropriate by the National Governing Body over the next year.

Applications to the grant scheme are being encouraged from athletes who are currently performing at international level within their sport with priority given to competitors in sports or disciplines represented at the Olympic and Paralympic Games or Commonwealth Games.

Applicants have until January 31 to apply at https://bit.ly/2sPw8ic and must be:

- a resident of Rushcliffe Borough or go to school within the borough
- 14 years old or over
- competing in a Sport England recognised sport
- competing for their country/in the national training squad in their chosen sport
- have amateur status
- fully endorsed by their National Governing Body and National or International coach who must be suitably qualified and affiliated.

To accompany the application, a confirmation letter from their National Governing Body confirming an athlete's level of performance is also required.

Applications for Severn Trent's Community Fund are now open



Applications are now open for Severn Trent's Community Fund which will give away more than £10 million to charities and community groups over the next five years.

Organisations, charities and communities from across our region can now apply for funding for their projects.

The Fund will be looking to support projects that can demonstrate a clear link to one or more of the three

elements of community wellbeing:

- **People:** Projects that help people to lead a healthier life and gain new skills;
- Place: Ideas that help create better places to live in and use; and
- **Environment:** Schemes that will help look after the natural environment, give people greater access to that environment or help look after water.

It will also be encouraging projects that have a link to water in some way, such as river restoration, flood alleviation or sustainable drainage.

Its independent Community Fund Customer Panel, which is made up of Severn Trent customers, will review applications on a quarterly basis and they decide where the money goes.

Applications are welcomed all-year round and capital and revenue projects will be considered, as long as the application shows how the project will be sustained beyond the investment.

To apply and to find out more visit www.stwater.co.uk/communityfund

New Public Exhibition on Fairham announced



A further Public Exhibition on the infrastructure works underpinning the £800 million, mixed use Fairham development south of Clifton takes place later this month.

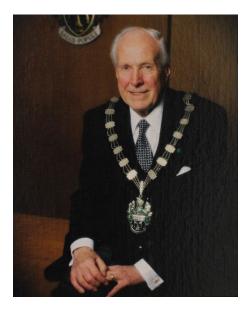
More than 250 people attended the first two public exhibitions held at Barton in Fabis and Gotham in November and a further session is now being held on Friday 24 January from 12pm to 7.30pm at Clifton Community Centre, 14 Southchurch Drive, NG11 8AR.

The main topics of discussion raised at these events included traffic, education, and ecology, and the feedback received will help to inform future planning applications submitted to us.

Members of the local community are being invited to view details and discuss the proposals at the exhibition, which will include the first phase of proposed infrastructure and access works to Nottingham Road, safety enhancements to Mill Hill roundabout and new access to and from the Clifton South park and ride site.

Subject to further planning approval, works on the Nottingham Road are expected to start during summer 2020.

Former Mayor and Councillor Roy Butler



It was with sadness we learned of the passing of our former Mayor and Councillor Roy Butler on December 23, aged 91.

Our Mayor in 2000/01, he represented the Wolds Ward for over 15 years and was a regular attendee at Council events.

Father to current Councillor Richard Butler, our thoughts are with him, his family and friends at this sad time.

His funeral will take place at All Saints Church, Stanton-on-the-Wolds on Friday 17 January at 1.15pm, followed by committal at Wilford Hill.

Freemasons Fund



The Freemasons Fund welcomes applications twice a year to help support people in Nottinghamshire through grants for community and voluntary groups whose work improves communities.

Funding is only available for capital spend, for example on equipment, and must be for groups who deliver projects under any of the following themes:

- Children and Young People
- Older and Vulnerable People
- Healthier Communities
- Sustainable Communities

The deadline for first round applications is Sunday 9 February 2020. Groups can apply for the funding or find out more on the Nottinghamshire Community Foundation website: http://www.nottscf.org.uk/grants/freemasons-fund/

Rushcliffe waste team to the rescue!



Members of our waste team saved the day on Friday January 10 when they rescued an escaped puppy who had raced off onto Melton Road in Edwalton.

Scott Chewings and Keith Sayers came to the rescue as they picked up Fudge the four-month-old Cavalier King Charles.

The resident said: "Thanks to quick thinking by one of your passing refuse lorries she was saved - thank you and please pass on our gratitude to the crew."

Premise Licence Applications



The following application for a premise licence has been received in the last fortnight.

Details	Address
Major variation application form.	The Southbank Bar Units 1 And 2 Bridgford House Trent Bridge West Bridgford Nottinghamshire NG2 5GJ

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