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**Councillor Phil King,
Leader of the Council**

Welcome to July's Council newsletter

We have another busy time ahead with lots going on right across the Harborough district.

As well as a great deal of positive activity at play areas and parks; we are also supporting businesses and tourism with

Have your say on 'drinking zones'

Your views are wanted on Public Space Protection Orders which are controlled drinking zones in Lutterworth and Market Harborough town centres which help prevent anti-social behaviour.

our Classic Car Show which is a big event in the East Midlands social calendar. This year it's set to be bigger than ever and I am pleased that even more streets will be lined with vintage vehicles and more businesses will be open to benefit from the increased footfall.

We're also ensuring our car parks meet the needs of residents and shoppers - and therefore businesses - which is crucial for the strength of our local economy.

They have been in place for three years and, as part of a review, a decision will be made whether to withdraw or renew these orders.

[You can complete the survey here](#)



MARKET HARBOROUGH CLASSIC CAR SHOW 2019

Sunday 7th July 2019

10am to 4pm

www.harborough.gov.uk/classiccarshow

Vintage vehicles

Fantastic food & drink

Live music

Shops & stalls



Emergency action to tackle climate issues

Tackling climate change is a global issue and a huge challenge facing us all.

Join forces and save on your energy bills

Would you like to join others in saving money on your energy bills?

Classic car show is back - and bigger!

It's back and bigger than ever! Market Harborough's Classic Car

That's why
Harborough
District Council
has joined other
local authorities
in declaring a
'Climate
Change
Emergency'
with the aim of
being 'carbon
neutral by
2030'.

An action plan
will now be
developed to
ensure all
Council
decisions are
made in line
with achieving
'carbon neutral
status' over the
next decade.

The move
continues our
commitment to
tackling
environmental
issues and
climate change.

In 2015, we
adopted a
Climate Local
Action Plan.
This has
contributed to a
reduction in the
Council's
carbon
emissions by a
third over the
past decade.

We will also be
switching to a
'green energy'
supplier for our
electricity (from
only renewable
sources) from
October.

[Read more
about what we
have done and
what we are
doing.](#)

If so, our new
'Switch & Save'
scheme being
launched in
August is just
for you. The
initiative helps
residents save
money by
switching to
lower energy
tariffs as part of
a group.

If you don't
know how to
switch energy
companies, or
just lack the
confidence to
do it, 'Switch &
Save' can help
you save
money.

All you need to
do is sign up to
the scheme
whereby energy
companies bid
against each
other to provide
the lowest
tariffs.

Once a price is
fixed, residents
who have
signed up to the
scheme have a
choice of
whether to
proceed and
sign up with the
new supplier.
There is **no
obligation** for
the resident to
switch if they
choose not to.

Full details
about how to
sign up to the
scheme will be
in next month's
newsletter.

Show - one of
the biggest and
best in the
Midlands, -
returns on
**Sunday 7 July
2019.**

With some of
the most
amazing retro
cars,
motorcycles,
scooters and
commercial
vehicles from
across the
country lining
the streets, it's
not to be
missed.

There also be
live music from
Luke Truth and
Anne Marie
Marlow, plus
60s band Route
66 and Jubilee
Brass.

Tesco is to
sponsor and
present two of
the awards
again this year
– Best in Show
and Best
Motorcycle. We
also have a
new award this
year for Best
Campervan.

Families should
head for
the Children's
Zone in Manor
Walk, where
there will be
face painting, a
photo booth,
Punch and
Judy, candy
floss van and a
vintage-dress
competition.

[Keep up to date
with the event
here](#)

Car parks to be improved for all

"Having excellent car parking facilities is vital in terms of supporting businesses and the local economy."

That is the message from the Leader of the Council after it was confirmed £250,000 will be invested into improving Council-owned car parks, to ensure they continue to meet the needs of shoppers, visitors and residents.

Improvements are planned at the George Street, Chapel Street and Church Close car parks in Lutterworth, and at the Market Hall, St Marys Road West, St Marys Road East, Welland Park car parks in Market Harborough and Scotland Road in Little Bowden.

More 'pop and shop' (free 30 minute max) bays are also being created in Station Road, George Street, and Chapel

Students learn reality of dangers on road

Virtual reality goggles to experience the shocking aftermath of a crash is just one of the techniques being used to teach students in Lutterworth about road safety.

The sessions are being run by the Community Safety Partnership, which includes the Council, in autumn and cover the 'Fatal 4' - that is the four most likely things to cause an accident on the road - using a mobile phone whilst driving, drink and drug use, not wearing a seat belt and speeding.

Students at Lutterworth Community College will also learn about the dangerous effects of substance misuse, and past sessions have also included talks about life in prison.

It follows a successful session recently held at Robert Smyth Academy in Market Harborough.

Day in the life - Lifeline operator



As part of our continuing 'Day in the Life' series we asked one of our Lifeline Operators what they get up to on a typical day.

Harborough Lifeline is a home alarm service for residents who can alert our control centre in an emergency. Lifeline operators also monitor CCTV in the Harborough district.

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[Read the Day in the Life in full](#)

Street car parks
in Lutterworth.

Free yoga for all is back in popular park

Do you know your
'downward facing dog'
from your 'lotus position'?

If not, don't worry! Come
along to FREE outdoor
yoga sessions which are
being held again in
Welland Park after the
Parkrun from 10am to
11.15am.

It's weather dependant but
open to anyone
throughout the summer
months. There are a
limited number of mats so
please bring your own if
you have one.

Sessions take place on
the grass opposite the
Welland Park café.

As part of our 'Healthy
Harborough' campaign to
get people active, yoga is
a great way to relieve
stress, improve flexibility
and strength, lose weight,
increase energy, breath
better, be happier and
improve concentration.

Visit
www.twobreathsmore.com
to find out more.

Giant sandpit to offer family fun all year



Get the buckets and spades
ready as a giant sandpit will be
unveiled in Welland Park in
Market Harborough – to replace
the Harborough by the Sea event.

The existing sandpit (Rose
Garden end of the play area) in
Welland Park's play area will be
increased in size and new
benches added to provide a spot
for picnics.

It will be officially opened on
Saturday 13 July 2019 at 2pm in
time for the school summer
holiday – and can be used all
year long rather than for just a
few days at Harborough by the
Sea.

Three people hit with fines - don't be next!

Did you know that you have
a legal responsibility for any
household waste produced
on your property and any
rubbish removed from that
property?

This important reminder
comes after three people,
all living outside the
district, were fined by the
Council for not checking
whether people removing
rubbish on their behalf were
legally allowed to do so and
had a waste carriers
licence.

In just over a month, three
separate cases of flytipping,
where rubbish was dumped
in country lanes in the
district, have resulted
in Harborough
District Council successfully
issuing fines.

Don't get caught out. Use a
licensed waste carrier to
remove your waste (you
can also check if someone
has a licence on the
[Environment Agency
website](http://Environment Agency website)).

Find out more at
[www.harborough.gov.uk/tip-
off](http://www.harborough.gov.uk/tip-off)

Great work to bring colour to park

Nearly 16,000 bedding
plants have
been planted in
Market Harborough
thanks to the Council
to ensure the town
and local park comes
alive with colour for
the summer months.

New clock is poignant tribute to lost heroes



Stay safe during the summer

Online safety,
burglary, anti-
social and
nuisance
behaviour and
personal safety
are the key
issues being
focussed on as
part of the

A lot of hard work has gone into planting the plants in Welland Park with a further 3,000 planted by the Harborough in Bloom volunteers in the town who receive a grant from the Council to help get the town looking its best before the East Midlands in Bloom 2019 judges arrive.

Feedback from the public has been excellent and huge thanks must go to our contractor FCC Environment and the volunteers for their tireless work.

A specially-commissioned clock, which serves as a poignant reminder to those who lost their lives during World War I, has taken pride of place at Broughton Astley Village Hall.

The decorative clock (pictured), which depicts the silhouette of a soldier, was presented to Broughton Astley Parish Council by the Royal British Legion at a special ceremony.

It was funded by Harborough District Council as part of its commemorations to mark 100 years since the end of The Great War.

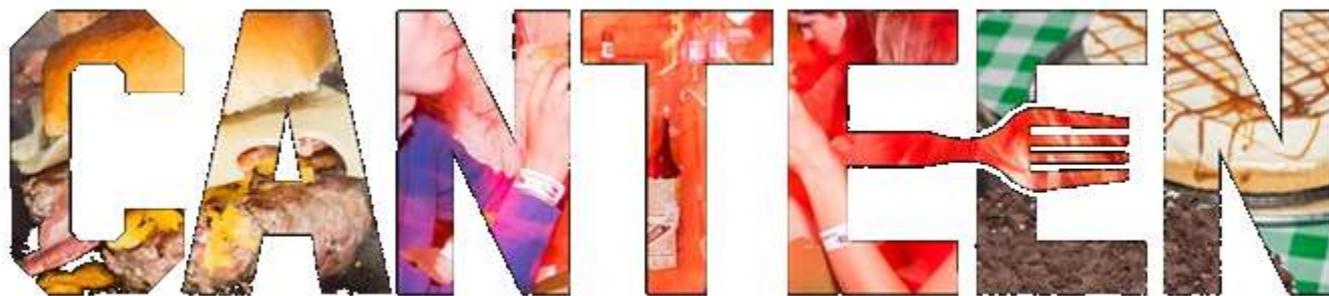
Safer Summer campaign run by the Harborough District Community Safety Partnership.

Follow [@HarbCSP](https://twitter.com/HarbCSP) on Twitter and watch out for the hashtag #safersummer. There will be social media messages on a different themes to help prevent crime and anti-social behaviour during the summer.

Some of these messages will include safety at home, what to do if you are going away, alcohol and drugs, how to stay safe online and respecting your neighbours.

We hope you will share the messages throughout July and August, and share them with your friends and relatives using #safersummer.

Click the advert below to read all about a new street food event coming to Harborough district.



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