



Rushcliffe

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Have your say on our Corporate Strategy until July 17



We're seeking residents' views on our forthcoming Corporate Strategy setting out its plan for the next four years.

We are committed to providing the statutory services residents expect from their Council, such as emptying bins on time, keeping streets safe and clean, processing planning applications and providing benefits services.

But they are also focused on the future and that's where its Corporate Strategy comes in, shaping the future of the Borough in terms of housing and supporting infrastructure, reducing the Borough's impact on the environment, and taking the necessary action to ensure Rushcliffe remains a great place to live, work and play.

[Residents can have their say](#) between now and Monday July 17.

[Read more online](#)

We've secured £25,000 funding to clear chewing gum hot spots



We've received a £25,000 grant from the Chewing Gum Task Force, administered by environmental charity Keep Britain Tidy, to further help clean up gum and reduce gum littering across the Borough with an initial focus on larger towns and villages.

Further plans are in place to remove the gum that blights local streets in Bingham, Cotgrave, East Leake, Keyworth, Ruddington, Radcliffe on Trent and West Bridgford.

The funding has enabled the our Streetwise team to extend their work to prevent the issue, purchasing three fully electric gum removal machines that will safely remove chewing gum whilst being kinder to the environment.

We are one of 56 across the country that have successfully applied to the Chewing Gum Task Force, now in its second year, for funds to clean gum off pavements and prevent it from being littered again.

Established by Defra and run by environmental charity Keep Britain Tidy, the Chewing Gum Task Force Grant Scheme is open to councils across the UK who wish to clean up gum in their local areas and invest in long-term behaviour change to prevent gum from being dropped in the first place.

[Read more online](#)

Rushcliffe Oaks first public open day takes place on July 22



Rushcliffe Oaks
Crematorium

OPEN DAY

10am – 2pm | Saturday 22nd July 2023

- Meet the Rushcliffe Oaks team
- Find out about our environmentally conscious electric cremation facilities – the greenest in Nottinghamshire!
- Take a look around our Ceremony Hall and peaceful areas for reflection
 - Discover our innovative memorialisation options
 - Explore our tranquil grounds



The Rushcliffe Oaks team are hosting an open day for the public on Saturday July 22 from 10am to 2pm where all are welcome to take a look around the ceremony hall, tranquil grounds and peaceful areas for reflection.

Come along to meet the friendly Rushcliffe Oaks team who will be there to help answer any questions you have.

Light refreshments will also be served on the day as well as a limited number of gift bags for attendees.

Taste of Rushcliffe Food Festival returns to West Bridgford on Saturday July 15!



Food lovers across Rushcliffe can enjoy delicious dishes and tasty treats from local food and drink businesses on Saturday July 15 as the Taste of Rushcliffe Food Festival returns to Central Avenue in West Bridgford.

Our free annual event takes place in the town from 10am to 4pm and all market traders will be open for business from 9am.

Visitors can explore a range of mouth-watering food and drink stalls offering local produce, street food, authentic recipes and signature dishes.

Throughout the day there will also be cookery demonstrations and masterclasses from talented local chefs presenting their hot tips and showcasing their top recipes.

Our Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Transformation, Leisure and Wellbeing Cllr Jonathan Wheeler joined Harker's Farm owner Tracy Harker and the team (pictured above) to welcome the return of the festival.

[Read more online](#)

It's Alcohol Awareness Week!



The graphic features a purple background with a pink banner at the top left that says "Top tips" next to a heart icon held in two hands. Below this is the text "to help you drink less and improve your health". On the right side, the "ALCOHOL CHANGE UK" logo is displayed vertically. The central part of the graphic contains four white boxes with icons and text: 1. A bottle with a slash through it, with the text "Have a few alcohol-free days each week". 2. A large wine glass and a smaller one, with the text "Choose a smaller glass size and a lower ABV". 3. A glass with a straw and a lemon wedge, with the text "Try alcohol-free alternatives". 4. A smartphone with speech bubbles, with the text "Keep track of your drinking". At the bottom, an orange banner contains the website "alcoholchange.org.uk" and the hashtag "#AlcoholAwarenessWeek".

Managed and hosted by Alcohol Change UK, Alcohol Awareness Week aims to encourage local communities to understand more about the impact of alcohol on our lives.

This year's campaign runs from July 3-9 on the theme of alcohol and cost.

Did you know?

- The average drinker spends an estimated £62,899 on alcohol over the course of a lifetime.
- One in five drinkers (19%) considers alcohol to be an “essential” item in their shopping basket.
- One in seven drinkers has been worried about how much they are drinking.

Information, tips and resources are available on the [Alcohol Change UK website](https://www.alcoholchange.org.uk) to help individuals and groups learn more about alcohol consumption and how they can cut down.

Dementia Carers Group in Edwalton starts on July 10



A new free Dementia Carers Group is launching in Edwalton from Monday July 10 for a seven-week programme designed to give an improved understanding of all aspects of the condition.

Radford Care Group is hosting the sessions from 2pm to 4pm at Church of the Holy Rood on Village Street at NG12 4AB with experts on hand to guide the group and offer mutual support from other carers.

There's a chance to learn more specialist information supported by Nottingham and Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board and Right at Home and part-funded by our Reach Rushcliffe Fund.

Booking is required for the sessions on each Monday on July 10, 17, 24 and 31 and August 7, 14 and 21.

For more information or to reserve a place please call Sue Cain at Radford Care on 0115 9786133 or email sue.cain@radfordcaregroup.org.uk

Mayor visits Mercian Regiment service and nursery celebration



Our Mayor Cllr Debbie Mason is continuing a busy diary of engagements.

The annual church and commemoration service for the Mercian Regiment took place last weekend as she visited Crich in Derbyshire for a special centenary pilgrimage that acknowledged 100 years of recognising their contribution to the Forces and the efforts and sacrifices of those in the local Foresters regiment here in the region.

She also visited White House Day nursery in West Bridgford to help cut the cake on a celebration of 35 years in business.



Take part in West Bridgford Way's Coffee and Cocktail Trail for 50% off your drink and venue of choice!



As part of the Taste of Rushcliffe Food Festival, West Bridgford Way has teamed up with six local businesses to provide a coffee & cocktail trail throughout West Bridgford.

Simply pick up a trail card at any of our venues, buy a coffee or cocktail from each of the following participating businesses in the town and receive 50% off a drink at your choice of venue:

- The Botanist West Bridgford
- Yumacha
- The Parlour - West Bridgford
- White Rabbit Teahouse
- Little Green
- Fordes

This offer will be running throughout July, the perfect opportunity to find a new favourite cocktail hangout or number one coffee shop in the summer!



Green Rewards project Highly Commended at MJ Awards



Our joint trailblazing project with other Notts councils, Green Rewards, was highly commended in the Municipal Journal (MJ) Achievement Awards for Innovation In Partnerships last week.

Our Chief Executive Kath Marriott joined fellow authority representatives at the ceremony in London after it was shortlisted from 63 entries, alongside eight other shortlisted entries, the only one of which received the accolade outside the category winner.

The online platform helps our residents and those across Notts take action to reduce their carbon footprint and to help tackle climate change.

The award judges praised Green Rewards for its outstanding contribution to promoting sustainable living and reducing carbon emissions, adding that the platform had been able to inspire and motivate people to make better choices on their journey towards sustainability whilst being fun and engaging.

Sign up to the platform today if you are based in most areas of Notts or the city at notts.greenrewards.co.uk or download the app in your app store.

Our fantastic shortlisting for the Council of the Year award at the same ceremony also saw us as the only borough or district council nominated for the prestigious award.

Proms in the Park enjoyed by thousands supporting Armed Forces Day



Our super trouper Proms in the Park event returned to Bridgford Park last week as part of Armed Forces Day and in the sunshine it attracted its biggest crowd yet!

Thousands of music fans enjoyed a full day of music and entertainment at the annual free event.

The day was filled with a variety of live performances with West End success Mania The ABBA Tribute headlining to rave reviews from event goers, stealing the show with their outstanding display, featuring hits such as Waterloo, Mamma Mia and Dancing Queen.

The outdoor concert also gave people a chance to support local Armed Forces and representatives from the Nottingham Sea Cadets, Royal British Legion, with 209 Squadron ATC based in the Borough and HMS Sherwood.

[Catch up on the event in this video.](#)

Proms in the Park was part funded by UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF), part of UK Government's Levelling Up agenda, providing funding for local investment.

Green Memory Café successfully launched at Rushcliffe Country Park



The first Memory Café at Rushcliffe Country Park took place on Wednesday June 21 for people living with memory loss and their carers.

The free session was well attended and saw a range of nature-based activities including a nature walk and leaf pressing using natural materials found at the park.

We worked in partnership with Rushcliffe Dementia Project and Rushcliffe Primary Care Network to deliver the sessions.

A 'Dementia Directory' of support for people with dementia is available on the [Rushcliffe PCN website](#) which provides a one-stop-shop for dementia support and advice.

Latest round of Community Ownership Fund now open



The Community Ownership Fund has launched to help communities and groups nationwide take ownership of assets at risk of closure.

Since July 2021, community groups have been able to bid for up to £250,000 matched funding to help them buy or take over local community assets at risk of being lost, to run as community-owned businesses.

A summary of the key changes to the eligibility requirements for the relaunch of the Fund include:

- Reducing the match funding requirement; where previously the Community Ownership Fund would contribute up to 50% of total capital funds required, it will now contribute up to 80% of the total capital funds required, with applicants required to raise the other 20% from other sources of funding. Projects in areas of the greatest need will only need to raise 10%, as determined by the fund's Development Support provider;
- Increasing the amount of funding all projects can bid for from £250k to £1m and;
- Allowing parish councils (and their equivalent town and community councils) to apply in the same way that community groups do now.

These changes will be coupled with support from the fund's [Development Support provider](#), who will be onboard and offering the full scope of their support from Round 3 onwards.

We'll signpost to more information on the fund application process when it launches later this month. In the meantime please email media@rushcliffe.gov.uk for any questions.

Garden waste collections

For under 77p per week we'll collect your garden waste saving you time, money and hassle:

£40
per year
Additional bins just
£25 per year

