



## Parish and Communities Update

**Issue 9** of our Parish and Communities update can be found below.

Please continue to let us know what you think, your feedback is important to us and will allow us to improve our services to you.

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### NEWS

- The [Keep Britain Tidy Buy Nothing New Month campaign](#) during January encourages residents to think past recycling and make use of the things they already have, through repairing, upcycling, reusing, sharing or donations. Calls to action are scheduled to appear on the [Leicestershire Recycling Facebook page](#) across the month; including tips, activities and how to get involved with the wider national campaign. For more information, please visit [www.lesswaste.org.uk](http://www.lesswaste.org.uk).
- Three of the LCC waste sites are due to be temporarily closed due to the installation of the Rehome Zones which is part of the Reuse Project (along with essential maintenance work at Coalville site). The sites involved are below:
  - Coalville; (4 weeks) 5th February – 1st March 2024
  - Melton; (2 weeks) 19th February – 1st March 2024
  - Barwell; (3 weeks) 4th March to 22nd March 2024Click [here](#) to find an alternative waste sites during this period.
- As temperatures continue to drop, our gritting teams have been out and about gritting key routes. Keep up to date on the latest information on gritting and travel, including the interactive gritting [map here](#).
- [Community Speed Watch \(CSW\)](#) is an educational scheme run by Leicestershire County Council in association with Leicestershire Police to help residents reduce speeding traffic through their community. The scheme enables your volunteers to work within their community to raise awareness of the dangers of speeding and to help control the problem and reduce danger locally.

Our 2024 Programme will be running from March to October, and we still have available slots.

Expressions of interest are now being invited for our 2024 scheme. CSW works largely via the good work of the volunteers, but it does require significant input from Leicestershire County Council as the Highway Authority and also the Police in terms of back office support with writing to the registered keepers of the vehicles detected speeding.

To ensure we maximise our resources and that of our Partners, your request to run a scheme in your community will be measured against our criteria; this will determine what level of support we can offer.

Please note if your request to run CSW is accepted your Parish will require a minimum of 12 volunteers, one of which will act as co-ordinator for the scheme. Please ensure your appointed co-ordinator is able to use excel as it is their responsibility to ensure captured data is inputted into an excel document and forwarded to the Police each day. Also, if your community has not previously participated in CSW you will be required to obtain a minimum of 200 signatures or 20% of the village/location population (whichever is the lower) to support the scheme. A Pledge document is available for downloading from the Get Involved tab on our website.

If you are interested or for more information, please visit our website <https://www.communityspeedwatch.org.uk/>

- One.Network – please see below some links to you tube clips to assist when using one.network
  - How to create a public account  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Ea7TKuSZW0&list=PLvOLqkS39GthwFEFH4eI1gpoNM1ib0BZD&index=1>
  - How to reset your password  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gzBqaFwhUFs&list=PLvOLqkS39GthwFEFH4eI1gpoNM1ib0BZD&index=2>
  - How to set up an email alert  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PKzT1BEhAD8&list=PLvOLqkS39GthwFEFH4eI1gpoNM1ib0BZD&index=3>

- If you need any help or support, please contact [support@one.network](mailto:support@one.network)
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## REMINDERS

- A Give and Take event is due to be held on Saturday 27th January at [The Village](#), 65 St Mary's Road, Market Harborough, Leics, LE16 7DS Drop off time: 9 am to 11 am Event time: 11 am to 1pm which will provide an opportunity to rehome items you know longer want, such as Books, DVDs/CDs, Jigsaws, toys, homeware, kitchenware, etc. All items must be in good clean condition and in full working order and this event will give you the chance to find something new, for free: Please note no large furniture, white goods, electrical items or broken or dirty items. Please see our [Toolkit | Lesswaste](#) for anyone wanting to run their own Give and Take event.
- All Recycling and Household Waste Sites (tips) have moved to winter opening hours from 1st October 2023 to 31 March 2024 (09.00 to 16.00 hrs), Visitors are encouraged to arrive at least 10 minutes prior to closing with the last admittance at 15.55 hrs.
- We would encourage residents to only travel to a RHWS in icy / snowy conditions if it is necessary to do so. Sites may need to open late / or temporarily close if the conditions on site are not safe at any time. Reminder to always check the website before planning a visit to a waste site as the website will be kept updated where closures over 4 hours occur.
- The Government has passed legislation that introduces a 'free allowance' for construction and demolition waste received at Recycling and Household Waste Sites from works undertaken by residents themselves. Steps will be taken to introduce the free allowance (two bags or one large item per week) from 1st January 2024. Existing charges shall apply to waste above the free allowances.
- Details of weekly planned roadworks throughout Leicestershire can be [found here](#). This is updated every Monday and shows the following 10 days, please note this is only up to date at the time of

creation and will not contain information on emergency works, however this can be found on the [one.network](#) site.

- To log an enquiry, we would ask that you use the '[Report a problem](#)' online form wherever possible - this form guides you through the identification and location of the issue, allowing easy input of the relevant data. You do not have to log in or have an account to do this and you will receive an acknowledgement, reference number, and receive regular updates on the issue reported.
- For all other enquiries that do not fit into the 'Report a problem' form, please submit these using the exclusive email address 'CSCparishes@leics.gov.uk, this was introduced several years ago to ensure that Parish Councils and Community Organisations are provided with a consistent and centralised approach.

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**Information on local services, latest news and events can also be found on our [Information for parishes and communities webpage](#) and [LCC website](#).**

**Contact the Special Projects Team, Environment and Transport Department on 0116 305 5186 or at [etdspecialprojects@leics.gov.uk](mailto:etdspecialprojects@leics.gov.uk)**