



Parishes and Communities Update

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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.

NEWS

Free and green travel for youngsters this Easter

Children and young people across Leicestershire can take advantage of free bus travel this Easter.

Youngsters will be able to use the offer when boarding the bus from 9.30am to 11pm on Monday-Friday, and all day at weekends and bank holidays from Saturday 23 March to Sunday 7 April.

Under 16s just need to show proof of age – such as their student ID – when boarding buses throughout the county.

Some of the county's bus operators are also offering reduced travel fares to young people aged between 16-21.

The free child and youth bus fares initiative is being delivered on behalf of the Leicestershire Enhanced Bus Partnership which is a collaboration between the county council and the bus operators, funded by the Department of Transport's Bus Service Improvement Plan.

Visit the website for further details on specific journeys: [Choose How You Move website](#)

REMINDERS

- Keep up to date on the latest information on gritting and travel, including the [interactive gritting map](#).
- All Recycling and Household Waste Sites (tips) have moved to winter opening hours from 1 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.

- 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) Now re-opened
 - Melton: (2 weeks) Now re-opened
 - Barwell: (3 weeks) 4 March to 22 March 2024

[Find an alternative waste site](#) during this period.

- 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 1 January 2024. Existing charges shall apply to waste above the free allowances.
- See [details of weekly planned roadworks](#) throughout Leicestershire. 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.
- [One.Network](#) – please see below some links to youtube videos to assist when using one.network:
 - [How to create a public account](#)
 - [How to reset your password](#)
 - [How to set up an email alert](#)

- If you need any help or support please contact support@one.network
- 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.

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