

WOLLATON EAST & LENTON ABBEY WARD COUNCILLORS' MONTHLY UPDATE: FEBRUARY 2019

Residents' Parking Schemes

The schemes covering Wollaton Hall Drive, Wemyss Gardens, Oundle Drive, and the remainder of Lenton Abbey have come into force.

Residents of Charles, Varden and Lawley Avenues found out that a change of Council policy meant that the previously chargeable parking scheme had now become free to permanent residents, and they will be receiving refunds of future permit charges.

L5 Bus

We have been receiving feedback on the proposals to change the L5 bus route. These proposals have been entirely brought about by the Council's need to make cuts of £21 million because of reduced funding from central Government.

It's important to note that there is no intention to change the coverage of Wollaton Park Estate, the bus would continue to go along Sutton Passey's Crescent and Orston Drive, the changes would be entirely on the way to and from the city. The proposed route would not go to Castle Marina, but straight to the City via Derby Road, and on a couple of occasions would return via Ilkeston Road and go up Charlbury Road to pick up and drop off passengers there.

All comments are being passed onto the Transport team, who are weighing up local views - whether the route around Castle Marina should continue with possibly reduced frequency, or maintain the regularity and go directly to and from the Victoria Centre. Any further comments gratefully received, we want to hear your views.

Hard Standing Project Bosley Square and Enderby Square

When the Parking scheme was being proposed it became clear that there are some problems with access because of the very narrow road and tight bends in these two Squares. We have therefore been working with Nottingham City Homes and the Highways Department to try to give people the option of parking off road. NCH tenants have been offered hard standings and home owners will be given the option of having their own hard standing with our Capital Budget providing the dropped kerb soon.

Stonewater, Abbey Lodge

After many years of dealing with casework from residents of Abbey Lodge, a meeting has been arranged with the Chief Executive of Stonewater and the Portfolio Holder responsible for Housing in the City, to tackle residents' long standing concerns about the management of Abbey Lodge.

Coffee Morning Breakfast with Advice Session, Lenton Abbey

On the second and fourth Friday of the month, 10.00 to – 12.00 noon, there is a coffee morning with free breakfast at the Sheila Roper Centre, Tenants Hall Close. We are supporting the presence of Meadows Advice Centre who will provide help to anyone with debt, benefits or other problems and Nottingham City Homes tenants can talk to their Patch Manager about any housing issues.

Forever Stars, Memorial Garden, Highfields Park

Forever Stars is a local charity set up by the bereaved parents of Emily Daniels in 2014. They have already provided funding through their charity for bereavement suites in Nottingham hospitals, sibling counselling and training for midwives. Their latest project is to raise funds for a Forever Stars Memorial Garden at Highfields Park. Sam met with them and we have committed £2,000 from our ward budgets to support the project but they have an ambitious target of £1 million to raise to create a lovely garden on the site of the former paddling pool. If you would like to find out more this is their website <https://www.foreverstars.org/>.

Spring into Lenton Abbey

Plans are taking shape for the annual spring event in Lenton Abbey which will take place on 13 April.

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