

**27<sup>TH</sup> July 2022**

## **Wellesbourne Parish Council**

First of all I would like to congratulate your success as PC in reducing the light pollution from the Business Park. Testament to PC Power and tenacity.

I was thrilled to see the successful outcome re **Wellesbourne allotments**. Whilst relatively new to the team, the meetings I have attended on the beautiful site have highlighted the incredible community asset and how far reaching its impact is, way beyond Wellesbourne.

## **Wellesbourne Recycling Plant/Tip**

In response to concerns around Tip opening times Cllr Heather Timms, whose portfolio covers recycling centres, is going to speak at the next Wellesbourne and Ettington Division PC update meeting September 5<sup>th</sup> 6.30-7.30pm via zoom. All Parish Councillors are welcome to attend.

**I do hope you have survived the heatwave and are not wilting as a result.**

In a week that has seen the two hottest days (and a night) in UK History, Warwickshire County Council is joining the UK100 to call for meaningful action on climate change.

## **Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service thank community for heatwave support**

WFRS have thanked the Warwickshire community for both their practical and virtual support over what has proven to be a busy 72 hours for the Service.

## **Mental Health Support for Young People**

**A new animation from Warwickshire County Council shares genuine mental health journeys from young people in Warwickshire.**

The young adults within the video, who are anonymised to protect their identities, share details of the challenges they have faced, such as self-harm and contemplating suicide. But they also talk about how they started to feel better – small acts such as going for a walk or eating well, as well as finding support on the internet or from mental health professionals. They talk about how their lives have improved since, with one saying “I’m the happiest I’ve ever felt”. You can watch the animation on the [Warwickshire County Council YouTube page](#).

## **Extra School Support**

**Parents and carers of children who will be starting Year 6 in September are being given extra support to prepare for their child’s application to secondary school in the autumn.**

Warwickshire County Council have produced a short animation video giving lots of helpful tips on choosing a shortlist of secondary schools to include on their

application form. They hope that by sharing this, parents and carers will make realistic choices of schools to increase their chances of an offer at one of their preferences on national offer day. The video can be found at <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/applying-secondary-school-place>.

**If the Summer Hols are revealing a literary talent previously undiscovered in your youngsters then ....why not enter the**

**Warwickshire Libraries' next Young Poet Laureate**

Warwickshire County Council Libraries are delighted to announce that the competition to become Young Poet Laureate 2022/23 is now open.

**SEND Pilot.**

Finally, as you are aware it has been a busy time within Education with the Schools White Paper and the consultation only just ending on the SEND Green Paper. During this time Warwickshire was one of 8 authorities approached by Ofsted to be involved in a Pilot framework for assessment and inspection.

A pilot was held in Warwickshire from 13th June to 1<sup>st</sup> July to help the inspection team test the new approach to assess the impact of local arrangements on children and young people with SEND and their families services, and how the local area partnership work together to plan, evaluate, and develop the SEND system.

Although there is no formal report or judgement from the pilot, the inspectors shared some valuable feedback which we will build into our improvement plans to ensure that all Warwickshire children and young people with SEND lead a fulfilling life and are part of their community.

Have a great week.  
Kindest Wishes

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