

May 2022 – County Council Update

Dear Colleagues,

Please find below some updates from the County Council this May, which your Parishes may find useful.

Thanks to those of you who got in contact over the past month with questions.

As always, please continue to stay in contact with me should you have an issue that needs addressing and I will investigate it as quickly as possible.

Bus Services

- Across the division, I know several areas are struggling with bus services – mainly the 153 & 6/6A – so please find below the latest information I have been able to obtain from officers at LCC.
- If you have any questions, please do get in contact.

153:

Arriva has recently made the decision to amend their commercially operated service 153 (Leicester – Market Bosworth), with effect from Sunday 17th April 2022.

The County Council has now considered the impact of this service change and any alternative provision in the context of its Passenger Transport Policy and Strategy (PTPS). This outlines the need to consider how residents can make essential travel journeys to the local centre for the essential purposes of food shopping and primary healthcare. It has been identified that residents will continue to have access to existing alternative provision on the below basis:

- Barlestone residents can continue to use the 153 in the Leicester bound direction, and will have access to service 159 to travel to Market Bosworth.
- Residents in Carlton, Barton and Nailstone will have access to the existing Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) service, providing a return journey to Market Bosworth three days a week.
- The above mentioned DRT service is also being extended to cover Station Road and Wellsborough Road, Market Bosworth and will be available for eligible residents to book

6/6A:

There has been reports on the inconsistency of this service. I have raised this with County Hall and separately requested LCC convey their disappointment to Arriva in the service.

- This is however a commercially run service, which means if there are any issues in relation to the operation of the service you will first need to contact Arriva directly.
- The Arriva customer service team can be contacted on 03448004411

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Electric Bike Scheme

- Electric bikes are fun, easy to use and great for the environment.
- Leicestershire County Council have teamed up with the Department of Transport to offer Leicestershire residents £300 off the cost of an electric bike.
- Find out more by visiting LCCs website here: <https://crowd.in/wCkM3T>

Wildlife in Leicestershire

- If you are interested in learning how to easily identify wildlife in Leicestershire, the County Council has teamed up with NatureSpot to produce a set of 22 colourful guides to Leicestershire's wildlife.
- Read the new guides to find out about the 210 different species here: <https://crowd.in/ywYMyf>

Battery Recycling

- Do you have batteries that need recycling?
- You can take them to:
 - All Leicestershire Libraries
 - Most Supermarket and electronic outlets
 - Your local waste site
- To find out about the importance of battery recycling you can read more here: <https://crowd.in/Sja4nm>

Tree for every person

- Tree planting is important to the County Council, and LCC have recently launched a new tree for every person website.
- The County Council's ambition is to make Leicestershire greener; boost biodiversity and become a net zero county by 2045.
- The County Council is working to plant 700,000 trees – a tree for every person who lives in the county, vastly increasing Leicestershire's tree cover.
- If you have planted a tree recently, or want to find out more, please look here: <https://crowd.in/cIYPJ8>

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