

# Council news round-up



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## This week's news from around the Council.

- **By-Election results**

Here are the results of the By-Elections which took place on Thursday 8 February 2018.

- **Codsall South (District seat)**

- Bob Spencer (Conservative) - 490 votes (elected)

- Ian Sadler (Green) - 50 votes

- Kevin McElduff (Labour) - 82 votes

- **Codsall Division (County seat)**

- Bob Spencer (Conservative) - 1274 votes (elected)

- Gary Burnett (Green) - 329 votes

- Kevin McElduff (Labour) - 283 votes

- **Codsall South (Codsall Parish Council)**

- Donald Walls (Conservative) - 420 votes (elected)

- Stacey Kahn (Independent) - 42 votes

- Hilde Liesens (Green) - 34 votes

- Georgia Speed (Labour) - 75 votes

- **Bilbrook Lane Green (Bilbrook Parish Council)**

- Gary Burnett (Green) - 45 votes (elected)

- Georgia Speed (Labour) - 4 votes

- **Essington Central (Parish seat)**

- James Slim (Independent) - 464 votes (elected)

- Cathie Kitson (Essington Independent Residents Group) - 254 votes

Click [here](#) to see the full results.

- **Bulky waste now on 'My Account'**

The introduction of our new online booking for bulky waste collections has gone down well with residents. This brand new system is available 24 hours a day and it means that residents can book from the comfort of their own home or on the go on their mobile device. Click [here](#) to see more.

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- **SAD update**

The Council has now begun a six-week public consultation on changes to the site allocations document (SAD). These changes are known as modifications and have been requested by the Inspector as a result of discussion at the recent hearing sessions.

The responses to the consultation, along with all the evidence submitted to him, plus the information from the hearing sessions, will enable him to write his report and decide if the SAD is sound and can be adopted. This public consultation runs from Wednesday 7 February 2018 until 5pm on Wednesday 21 March 2018. Documents are available online, with hard copies at Parish Councils and libraries across the district, and from the reception desk here at the Council Offices in Codsall. Click [here](#) for more information.

- **South Staffordshire Community Lottery**

Why not take part in our weekly online lottery created to support the voluntary and community sector in South Staffordshire? Tickets are only £1 a week and 60% goes to local good causes in the district. You can help support the lottery by buying a ticket - register on the website ([www.southstaffslottery.co.uk](http://www.southstaffslottery.co.uk)) or telephone **01902 213777**.

- **Treecycle tops 500**

In January, 500 real Christmas trees were collected in the district and composted at a local facility. Thank you everyone.

- **Don't lose your wheels to opportunist thieves**

With the return of winter and the recent cold snap of weather, Staffordshire Police is urging motorists to take care and leave enough time to defrost their car and not leave their car unattended with the keys in the ignition and engine running to defrost their windscreen. Across South Staffordshire over the past few months, there have been numerous reports of vehicles being taken whilst their owners are inside their properties. Don't get caught out and keep your car secure at all times. Click [here](#) to read advice from the Staffordshire Police website.

- **Chairman's musical charity night**

If you like to listen to music from the 1940s, 1950s and 1960s, then you're in for a treat. Come and join Councillor Kath Perry who is hosting a musical evening at the Council Offices in Codsall on Friday 23 February 2018, starting at 7pm. Kath will be singing a medley of classic songs from these eras and taking a trip down memory lane. Tickets cost just £15 and this includes a

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ploughman's supper but please bring your own drinks and glasses. All proceeds will be donated to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham. Tickets can be purchased from Helen Astley ([h.astley@sstaffs.gov.uk](mailto:h.astley@sstaffs.gov.uk)) or by calling **01902 696254**.

- **Heroes assemble**

The annual Great British Spring Clean takes place from Friday 2 to Sunday 4 March 2018 ([www.keepbritaintidy.org](http://www.keepbritaintidy.org)). One of the spring clean events is taking place right here in Bilbrook on Saturday 3 March 2018. Click [here](#) for more information. #LitterHeroes

- **Codsall Community Arts Festival on the way**

This year marks the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Codsall Community Arts Festival, which takes places from Tuesday 6 to Saturday 24 March 2018 and features appearances and visits from Birmingham Royal Ballet's engagement and participation team, members of Ex Cathedra, the Morrison Orpheus Choir and the JB Jazz and Blues Band. This biennial festival celebrates music, theatre, dance, literature and crafts across a fortnight of performances, talks, demonstrations and workshops. Tickets are available from local box offices or by post. Visit their website to find out more and to download a brochure [www.codsallartsfestival.org.uk](http://www.codsallartsfestival.org.uk)

## Regular information

- **Committee/Panel meetings**

Next week, the following public meetings are scheduled:

- **Cabinet** - Tuesday 13 February 2018 - 2pm - Committee Room 2 - details accessible [here](#)
- **Asset Scrutiny Panel** - Friday 16 February 2018 - 4pm - Committee Room 2 - details accessible [here](#)

- **5 Rating**

The following companies have achieved a 5 Rating following their food inspection this week - Windmill Bakery Wombourne, ABC Early Learning & Childcare Centre UK in Bilbrook, Russell Butchers in Penkridge and Jaspers the Bakers in Penkridge.

Everyone is encouraged to submit news items, please email: [comms@sstaffs.gov.uk](mailto:comms@sstaffs.gov.uk)