

Council news round-up

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This week's news from around the Council.

- **GDPR is approaching**

The Council is currently on track to meet the requirements of the new general data protection rules that come into force on Friday 25 May 2018. Service teams are currently working on the information notices that need to be given to individuals under GDPR to ensure compliance.

Click [here](#) to read the detailed report that was given to the Standards and Resources Committee earlier this week.

- **South Staffordshire Review**

Distribution is nearing completion of the spring issue of the South Staffordshire Review Magazine. Click [here](#) to read it.

- **New campaign urges people to report suspicious activity**

This week, Counter Terrorism Policing, a collaboration of UK police forces and intelligence agencies, launched the Action Counters Terrorism (ACT) national public awareness campaign. The campaign focuses on the important role that communities play in defeating terrorism and encourages communities across the country to help the police tackle terrorism and save lives by reporting suspicious activity. Click [here](#) for more information.

- **Affordable fitness**

Shape up for summer! Starting on Monday 26 March 2018, the Leisure Centres in Codsall, Wombourne, Penkrige and Cheslyn Hay will be starting a 'Summer Shape Up' special promotional offer. Anyone can join between 26 March 2018 and 8 April 2018, pay £10 and then nothing else until May 2018. Click [here](#) for more information.

- **Sport Relief Challenge airs on CBBC**

Blue Peter's Sport Relief Challenge aired on CBBC on Thursday 22 March 2018 and you can catch up with all the action on iplayer. Earlier this month, presenters Radzi Chinyanganya and Lindsey Russell and a film crew from Blue Peter visited the outdoor activity experience at Challenge Academy based at Baggeridge Country Park, which was one of the locations for the challenge. Click [here](#) to read more.

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- **'Tea & teach'**

Do you need assistance with digital skills? If you're a resident in South Staffordshire and want to know more about digital devices and how to use them and stay safe on the internet, then come along to the next 'Tea and Teach' session at the Council Offices in Codsall on Thursday 29 March 2018 between 2pm and 4pm. Places are limited and to reserve a place email info@sstaffs.gov.uk or telephone **01902 696000**.



- **Power Plates now at the Leisure Centres**

Improve your muscle strength, flexibility and boost your circulation by using the new Power Plates recently installed at all the Council's Leisure Centres. The Power Plate works by giving your muscles a high-speed workout using multi-directional vibrations to stimulate them to contract and relax. You can select lots of different programmes and they will work different areas of your body. Call the Leisure Centres for more details or find out more by visiting www.powerplate.com

- **Dementia friendly community**

South Staffordshire is aiming to become a Dementia friendly community and last week the Council held a Dementia Awareness session. Councillors and local businesses attended the session, which was delivered by Maggie Quinn. These sessions are always emotional and have a powerful impact on everyone. More sessions are planned within the local community, working with businesses to encourage them to get involved and become a Dementia Friend. For more information, please contact Maggie Quinn (m.quinn@sstaffs.gov.uk).

- **Support local good causes and win up to £25,000**

There were lots of lucky winners from last Saturday's Community Lottery draw. Show some love to your local good causes this Easter and make a difference for just £1 a week. To buy a ticket, register on the website at www.southstaffslottery.co.uk or telephone **01902 213777**.

- **More paths resurfaced at Baggeridge**

Midlands-based construction giant Tarmac has been back at work at Baggeridge Country Park this week with volunteers spending some more time resurfacing the path at Baggeridge Pool. Thank you Tarmac!

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- **5 Rating**

The following companies have achieved a 5 Rating following their food inspection this week - Bite Sandwich Bar in Great Wyrley and Budding Bakers at Codsall and Wombourne.

Regular information

- **Committee/Panel meetings**

Next week, the following public meetings are scheduled:

- **Full Council** - Tuesday 27 March 2018 - 7pm - Council Chamber - papers can be seen [here](#)
- **Licensing and Regulatory Committee** - Thursday 29 March 2018 - 2.30pm - Bill Brownhill Room - papers can be seen [here](#)

Everyone is encouraged to submit news items, please email: comms@sstaffs.gov.uk