

Council news round-up

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This week's news from around the Council.

- **Treecycle available**

Remember you can treecycle your real Christmas tree free of charge on your first green bin collection of the year. Green bin collections will start again on Monday 13 January 2020. Click [here](#) to view your bin collection dates.

- **Recognition in the New Year's Honours**

Congratulations to Councillor Kath Perry on the award of an MBE in the New Year's Honours List.

- **Health Kickstarter 2020**

The Leisure Centres have designed an eight-week programme to provide customers with everything they need to help them get the best start in their new health and fitness journey. The programme includes:

- Full access at any time at the Council's Leisure Centres in Codsall, Cheslyn Hay, Penkridge and Wombourne (full membership).
- Weekly group personal training sessions.
- In-depth advice on nutrition, healthy weight control and a food diary.
- A booklet on all elements including food, sleep, and hints and tips on exercise.
- Regular health checks, weigh ins and all the tools you need to make this year, your year.

For full details, visit <https://www.sstaffs.gov.uk/leisure/health-kickstarter.cfm>

- **Let's Work together event**

The next Let's Work Together event will take place in the Council Chamber on Monday 13 January 2020. Click [here](#) to see the agenda. To register, please email: policyadmin@sstaffs.gov.uk or call **01902 696541**.

- **Together we win!**

The South Staffordshire Community Lottery is starting 2020 with a fantastic giveaway. Buy your lottery ticket before Saturday 21 March 2020 to be in with a chance of winning a Fitbit and Google Nest mini bundle. For more information and to buy a lottery ticket, visit www.southstaffslottery.co.uk or telephone **01902 213777**.

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- **New shared service for legal services**

The New Year sees a new shared service being introduced across South Staffordshire Council, Lichfield District Council and Tamworth Borough Council for legal services. South Staffordshire Council is hosting the service with its existing in-house team, providing services to all three authorities. This will see a significant saving against the budget for legal services and it has allowed us to strengthen our team giving greater resilience and expert knowledge. The service will be known as Southern Staffordshire Legal Services. If you have any queries about the service, please contact Lorraine Fowkes via l.fowkes@sstaffs.gov.uk



- **Next week's Council Committee/Panel meetings**

- **Your Place Challenge Panel** - Monday 13 January - 4pm - Bill Brownhill Room.
- **Standards and Resources Committee** - Thursday 16 January - 2.30pm - Bill Brownhill Room.

- **Council job vacancies**

- **Relief Leisure Assistant (Penkridge)** - click [here](#) for more information. Closing date - Monday 13 January 2020 (6pm).
- **ICT Support Officer** (initially fixed term) - click [here](#) for information. Closing date - Friday 17 January 2020 (5pm).
- **Part-time Receptionist (Penkridge)** - click [here](#) for information. Closing date - Monday 20 January 2020 (5pm).

- **South Staffordshire Connect service now available**

The South Staffordshire Connect dial-a-ride bus service is now available. This local, bookable bus service is once again helping many people who struggle to get out and about and it is aimed at residents who live away from regular bus routes or who find it difficult to use a standard bus. The new Connect service operates between 10am and 3pm to three zones. For more information, please click on the following for more information - [Zone 1](#), [Zone 2](#) and [Zone 3](#).



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