

County Councillor's Report: July 2024

1. County Hall has been closed due to the detection of legionella in parts of the water system. The only part of the building which is open is the Registry Office for weddings, as this has a separate entrance and is self contained.

Council services remain unaffected. Temporary accommodation is being secured for staff and in the interim they will be working remotely. Hopefully the situation will be resolved within a few weeks.

2. There has been a number of staff changes at County Hall due to the implementation of a new Management Structure, which will come into place early in July.
3. The Boundary Commission is due to publish changes to the County Council Divisional boundaries after the General Election.
4. The Council are holding a number of "Roadshows" around the county during July and August. Details of their location are below:

Saturday 6 th July	9am to 6pm	Hanbury Show
Sunday 7 th July	1pm to 5.30pm	Outside Great Malvern Priory during
Saturday 11 th July	10am to 6pm	Malvern Food Festival
Saturday 13 th July	11am to 6pm	Astwood Bank Carnival
Saturday 3 rd August	9am to 6pm	Bromsgrove Carnival
Sunday 4 th August	10am to 5pm	Tenbury Show
Sunday 11 th August	10am to 5pm	Battle of Evesham
Saturday 10 th August	10am to 5pm	Worcester Show
Saturday 31 st August	10am to 6pm	Far Forest Countryside Show
		Droitwich Saltfest

5. Whilst there are still financial challenges within the County Council, the anticipated overspend of £19million has been reduced to £4.6million which is lower than the previous year. The Council's reserves remain sound and are in excess of £100million. Local Authorities throughout the country are facing similar challenging times.
6. Due to conflicting dates with Applefest, the resurfacing of Teme Street will now be undertaken between the 2nd and 16th September depending on weather conditions. There will be road closures between 20.00 hours and 06.00 hours on the days works are taking place.

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