

District Councillor report Lighthorne Parish Council 8th March 2022

Support for communities during the Ukraine crisis

A new page has been created to signpost to the various support groups, organisations and information supporting Ukrainian people living in the UK.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2783/support-for-communities-during-the-ukraine-crisis>

Council Tax level for Stratford District.

The amount residents will pay for a Band D property is £154.12 and increase of £5.00, this is an increase of 3.3%. This means that all the services provided by the District Council cost £2.96 for a Band D household. This contributes to meeting the cost of providing a wide range of services including recycling and waste collection, planning, street cleaning, housing, housing benefits, leisure services and children's play areas.

The Council tax from Stratford-on-Avon District Council for residents for 2022/23 for each of the valuation bands is as follows:

- A £102.75
- B £119.87
- C £137.00
- D £154.12
- E £188.37
- F £222.62
- G £256.87
- H £308.24

Although the district Council acts as the collecting agent for Council Tax, it only receives 7.4% of the Council Tax paid by residents. Warwickshire County Council receives the lion's share of 76.7% the Police 12.7%, Towns and Parishes 3.2%. This means the District Council only retains 7.4p of every £1 paid in Council Tax to provide its range of services.

Anyone who thinks they could be struggling to pay their Council Tax is encouraged to contact the District Council as soon as possible by calling 01789 260990 or e-mail revenues@stratford-dc.gov.uk

Fly Tipping

Fly Tipping is an ongoing problem for residents and SDC. Defra has recently published fly tipping data for 2012-2021. Stratford-on-Avon District Council has a rate of 4.6 incidents per 1,000 of population which ranks us at 36 out of 314. Stratford-on-Avon District Council's figures have always been lower than most authorities. Although we have seen an increase in fly tipping over the last few years. The whole of England has seen an increase.

Covid19

Infection rates gradually falling

The rate of infections across the district has decreased to 412/100,000 from 569, the over 60's rate has decreased to 327/100,000 (409 last week) with 139 cases over the last seven days. Other districts rates in Warwickshire, for all ages, are Nuneaton & Bedworth 243/100,000, North Warwickshire 226/100,000, Warwick 412/100,000 and Rugby 344/100,000. Warwickshire overall has 340/100,000. England 306/100,000.

There have been several further Covid related deaths across Stratford District (total now 266 from the start of this second wave (28th August 2020) 62 occurring in care homes, 176 in hospital, three in a hospice and 24 at home and one in a communal establishment, out of a total of 2,685 all cause deaths in the district for this new second wave period.

The cumulative total of deaths across Warwickshire for Wave 2 increased since my last report to 938 with a total of 9,063 all cause deaths. The cumulative total of Covid-19 deaths in Stratford district is 434 since the start of the pandemic and in Warwickshire 1,539 (13,447 total deaths).

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