

County Councillor report Lighthorne Parish Council 10th May 2022

Papyrus Prevention of Young Suicide in Warwickshire

With funding awarded to Papyrus from Warwickshire Covid-19 Mental Wellbeing and Resilience Fund Papyrus is working County Wide across Warwickshire to create “suicide-safer” communities.

Aims: to understand the prevalence and impact of suicide

To explore the language, and challenges, when talking openly about suicide

To recognise the “signs” that may indicate someone is having second thoughts of suicide

To consider how we can all contribute to a suicide-safer community.

Available dates to book your place:

13th May, 7th June, 23rd June and 14th July.

For enquiries Contact: westmidlands@papyrus.uk.org with subject heading warwickshire22/SP-OT

Become a Loneliness Ambassador-Warwickshire County Council

The Council is looking for people who can help those who are lonely and isolated by: Promoting the Loneliness Campaign. Closing date 30th April

Visit: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/health-wellbeing/become-loneliness-ambassador>

Fraudsters target pre-payment meter customers and other scam alerts

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In this time of increasing fuel prices, fraudsters are targeting people who use pre-payment meters. The fraudsters offer people a cut price deal on their door-step.

Cold callers are offering Marriage allowance Tax Rebates, for a percentage of any money gained. The callers ask residents for their National Insurance number and ask them to sign agreements. Residents have reported that they are being chased for hundreds of pounds

For more information visit <https://www.which.co.uk/news/2022/04/fake-council-tax-energy-rebate-scam-targeting-households/>

Energy rebate scheme

Warwickshire residents are warned to beware of scammers cold calling them and asking bank details to qualify for the Government's £150 energy rebate scheme.

Fake Ukraine Fundraisers

Action Fraud has received 196 reports about FAKE e-mails purporting to raise money for those affected by the crisis in Ukraine.

For more information visit <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/regulators-urge-safe-giving-to-support-ukraine>

Welfare Scheme

Sudden unexpected costs can create real challenges for people experiencing financial hardship. If this is you or anyone you know, help is available. www.warwickshire.gov.uk/localwelfarescheme

If you are self-isolating or at higher risk to COVID-19, you can access help from the council and partners.

Wellbeing Support

For practical and wellbeing support go call the hotline 0800 408 1447 or go to www.warwickshire.gov.uk/coronavirusvulnerable

The Warwickshire Local Welfare Scheme supports the most vulnerable residents at times of unavoidable crisis when they have no other means of help. The scheme provides basic and essential help for food and energy in the form of emergency food parcels or credit for energy. Call 0800 408 1448.

If you're finding it hard to feed your family help and advice is online at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/foodsupport and www.warwickshire.gov.uk/foodbanks

DON'T FORGET

County Councillor Grants

Additional funding of £2,000 was agreed for the County Councillor grants scheme to support the Council's Community Powered Warwickshire approach. Therefore, the Councillor's Grants Scheme will increase to £8,000 to help fund local worthwhile projects. The grants will be available from 18th May

To find out more please contact Michelle Gravatt at michellegravatt@warwickshire.gov.uk

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