



Welcome to the Local Link from North Northamptonshire Council

**Issue 2 - 11 July 2025. Featuring: Residents' Satisfaction Survey; Communication panels installed in play areas to support inclusive play; Major improvements to our green spaces; And more...**



## Top story

### Residents' Satisfaction Survey

The Council has launched its first-ever Residents' Satisfaction Survey. This is a valuable opportunity for residents to share their views on the services the Council provides. Your feedback will help shape the future of our community.

If you live in North Northamptonshire, you are warmly encouraged to take part. Please visit the consultation hub at [North Northamptonshire Council Residents' Satisfaction Survey 2025](#). The survey will run until 11:59pm on Sunday 27 July 2025.



## Latest news

### Communication panels installed in play areas to support inclusive play

Vibrant communication panels have been installed at forty play areas in Kettering, Corby and Wellingborough to support all users of play areas and open spaces.

These colourful boards feature simple visual cues to help children express emotions and needs like 'happy', 'sad', 'hungry' and 'tired'. They include communication tools such as yes/no responses, pronouns, questions, numbers and letters - making play more inclusive and accessible. [More on this story](#)

### Major improvements to our green spaces

Charter Field, the historic park in the heart of Corby Old Village, now features solar-powered lighting - a step forward in safety, sustainability and community enjoyment.

The project is part of a wider £1.5 million investment into North Northamptonshire through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, which also includes new play areas, major footpath upgrades, tree planting, and a public bench renewal programme. [More on this story](#)

### **Council issues reminder: Fines for environmental offences increased**

The Council is reminding residents that fines for fly-tipping, littering, graffiti and other environmental offences have increased as of late 2024.

Residents caught graffitiing, flyposting or littering could face fines of up to £500, and those caught fly-tipping could face fines of up to £1,000. Let's work together to keep North Northamptonshire clean and safe for everyone. [More on this story](#)

### **Summer in your country park**

North Northamptonshire is home to stunning country parks and woodlands - perfect for walking, cycling, picnicking or simply unwinding in nature.

Explore our [Country parks and woodlands](#) web pages for details about parking, events, outdoor activities for schools and groups, fishing, volunteering, wellbeing and much more.

Experience the great outdoors right on your doorstep.

### **Executive meeting on Tuesday 15 July**

The Executive meeting of North Northamptonshire Council will take place at 10am on Tuesday 15 July, at the Corby Cube.

A variety of important local issues, including the Cultural Masterplan for the area, will be discussed.

You can:

- Watch the meeting live or later on the Council's [YouTube](#) channel.
- View the agenda and papers directly on the website at [Executive - Tuesday 15 July](#).



## **Community matters**

### **Supermarket vouchers available for low-income households**

North Northamptonshire Council is urging single people and families on a low income to apply for supermarket vouchers as part of the latest support from the Household Support Fund (HSF). [Find out more](#)

## Keeping town centres safe this Summer

The 'Safer Streets Summer' campaign in Northamptonshire is a collaborative initiative running from now until the end of September 2025, aimed at improving safety and public confidence across the county.

It supports the national Home Office campaign and involves key partners including Northamptonshire Police; Office of the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner; Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service and West Northamptonshire Council.

The campaign emphasises community engagement, visible policing and feedback loops to ensure that residents feel heard and see tangible results.

## Summer fun across North Northamptonshire

With the Summer holidays just around the corner, the Council has lined up a vibrant programme of activities for children and families across the area - from Corby to Kettering, Wellingborough to Rushden. [Find out more](#)



### More to explore

- [Have your say on the proposed specialist community gym equipment in Queensway Park, Wellingborough](#)
- [North Northamptonshire Council secures over £55 million in government funding for local transport infrastructure](#)
- [Vision for culture across the local area set to be discussed](#)
- [Oakley Road, Corby to be resurfaced as part of Corby Towns Fund project](#)
- [North Northamptonshire Council invites Experts by Experience to help shape adult social care services](#)



### Thank you

Thank you for taking the time to read my newsletter. If you have any questions, please email [executive@northnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:executive@northnorthants.gov.uk).

Kind regards,

**Cllr Martin Griffiths**

**Leader of the Council**



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