

Norfolk County Council November Report

Fire Service

The fire Service were very busy dealing with floods recently, they also went across the border to assist Suffolk as they had a major incident.

It would be very helpful if Parish Councillors kept an eye on local ditches and advised landowners if they look as though they need clearing to accommodate flood water and keep it moving.

To report a flood tel: 0344 800 8013 or www.norfolk.gov.uk/flooding

Adult Services

Adult Services has put together an Integrated Winter Plan to cope with the increased demand on health and social care during the winter months. This includes Hospital Discharge Hubs which put together the care package that people need to safely leave hospital and return home. Last year the hubs helped over 11,000 people.

Budget consultation

Norfolk County Council is consulting on its proposed budget for the next year. To deal with cost pressures it is proposed to raise council tax by 2.99% and Adult Social Care by 2%. To see the proposal and feedback online use www.norfolk.gov.uk/budget The consultation will end on December 1st.

Libraries

During the winter the libraries will once again be offering a warm place to go, a warm drink, and for those that need them the Household Support fund is enabling the libraries to provide free hotwater bottles, blankets, draft excluders and bags of toiletries as well as the usual Tricky Period sanitary packs.

Some of the larger libraries will also be running knit and natter, board games and bounce and rhyme sessions to give people the opportunity to socialise as well.

Highways

Highways have increased their fleet of gritters to help keep the roads safe during the winter months.

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