County Councillor Report

Oxhill Parish Council Meeting

11th November 2025

Childhood vaccinations

Following an outbreak of measles and whooping cough across the country, parents and carers are being reminded by Warwickshire County Council to check their children are up to date with immunisations. Find out more: https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/7095/catching-up-on-childhood-vaccinations-is-as-easy-as-abc-this-winter

Choosing the right NHS service this winter

In preparation for winter 2025, Warwickshire County Council and health partners are working with hospitals and essential services to reemphasise the need to avoid A&E, unless absolutely necessary. Read more: www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/7144/check-the-right-nhs-service-you-need-before-you-check-in-with-a-e-this-winter

Stay healthy and independent with Warwickshire's Living Well webpages

Residents are encouraged to explore a wide range of health prevention support available on Warwickshire County Council's (WCC) Living Well webpages. From healthy ageing to community support, this free online resource is designed to help individuals and families to live well and stay well.

For those experiencing loneliness or social isolation, the webpages offer helpful articles and resources to promote connections and improve mental health.

Visit <u>www.warwickshire.gov.uk/livingwell</u> to discover the full range of support available. For more tips on healthy ageing, visit <u>www.warwickshire.gov.uk/healthy-ageing</u>

Living Well - AskSARA

Want to stay independent? Discover AskSARA – Warwickshire's free, easy-to-use website for personalised advice on support from mobility to memory, with recommendations to help you live independently. Learn more: https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/7143/stay-healthy-and-independent-with-warwickshire-s-living-well-webpages

Loneliness and isolation

Loneliness and social isolation affect many people and is a factor in physical and mental health conditions.

If you are struggling remember there is support available to you right here in Warwickshire. Visit http://warwickshire.gov.uk/loneliness to find out more.

Local Government Reorganisation in Warwickshire

Warwickshire County Council has expressed its preference on the future form of local government for Warwickshire to be a single unitary council. The Council also recognised the importance of town and parish councils in preserving local identity and supported the establishment of such councils where they do not currently exist. The Council also accepted that full constituent membership of the West Midlands Combined Authority would be the best arrangement for any new unitary authority in Warwickshire. Combined Authorities exist to grow economies in their regions. They invest in projects across areas such as transport, skills and wellbeing. West Midlands Combined Authority was created to deliver an ambitious plan to drive inclusive economic growth - in the West Midlands.

A final proposal will be considered for approval by Cabinet on 6 November, prior to submission to the Government by 28 November. It is expected that at least four of the five district and borough councils will submit a separate proposal for two unitaries in line with earlier decisions by their Councils. The Government will then decide which model of unitary local government will apply to Warwickshire, with a decision expected by Summer 2026. The Government has said it will carry out a public consultation on its preferred option, which is expected to take place in early 2026. Find out more: https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/7094/county-council-shows-support-for-future-single-unitary-council

Community Risk Register

Familiarise yourself with the Community Risk Register for Warwickshire and the **Top risks to our county**

Learn the most significant risks that could occur in Warwickshire. The information sets out what Warwickshire responders and other partners are doing about the risks. It also outlines the likely consequences of these risks along with advice on what the public can do to prepare for and respond to these risks.

The following are the key risks that have the potential to cause a significant disruption to Warwickshire.

Industrial Accidents and Major Fires, Cyber Attacks, Emerging Infectious Diseases, Extreme Cold Weather, Heatwave and Drought, Loss of Gas or Electricity, Malicious Attacks, Pandemics, Flooding, Animal Disease.

To learn how to be Better Prepared for the key risks near you, visit https://www.warwickshireresilienceforum.org/risks/.

Kind Communities Food Strategy

A grant fund is now available under Warwickshire County Council's Food Strategy- Kind Communities-Kind Food-enabling community organisations to bid for funding for local projects that focus on improving the local availability of affordable healthy food, healthy food education and reducing food waste. Organisations can apply for up to £1,000 for their project and the fund has £22,500 available. The application process is being managed by Warwickshire CAVA - please see the link to their website and the grant will also go live on Warwickshire County Council's webpages.

https://www.wcava.org.uk/programmes/warwickshire-kind-communities-kind-food-grant-fund-2025/

Statement from Safer Warwickshire Partnership Board

In the wake of the atrocious events at a synagogue in Manchester, the Safer Warwickshire Partnership Board stand together against hate crimes against any group or individual in our society. Find out more:

https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/7059/statement-from-safer-warwickshire-partnership-board

Cllr Jerry Roodhouse made Honorary Freeman of the County

Warwickshire County Council conferred the award of Honorary Freeman of the County of Warwickshire on Cllr Jerry Roodhouse this week, in recognition of his outstanding 35 years of service to Warwickshire.

Find out more: https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/7087/councillor-jerry-roodhouse-made-honorary-freeman-of-the-county-of-warwickshire



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