



## eNEWS articles for July 2021

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### More time for Local Plan responses

Extra time is being made for people to make comments on the plan for how the district will look in future generations.

Stroud District Council's Local Plan maps out where homes and business will go, up to 2040.

A six week consultation period started on Wednesday May 26 but it will now last eight weeks and end on July 21 instead of July 7.

Stroud District Council Environment Committee Chair Chloe Turner acknowledged that the Coronavirus pandemic meant extra time for the consultation is needed.

*"Because of the challenges associated with carrying out public consultation during the ongoing pandemic, we have extended consultation period by two weeks, with the period now ending 21 July," she said.*

The Local Plan is at the review stage, and that is what is being consulted on now.

Stroud District Council has to meet a current target of almost 13,000 new homes by 2040 and if the council does not allocate space for these homes, the Government could direct where they are built.

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, there are some changes to the way members of the public can get involved. This is in line with amended national planning legislation. This means all documentation is only published online.

To view at the plan and respond to it, please visit [www.stroud.gov.uk/localplanreview](http://www.stroud.gov.uk/localplanreview)

Following the consultation period, the Plan will be submitted for examination by an independent Planning Inspector, appointed by the Secretary of State.

If you have any questions about this consultation stage or need help filling in the representation form or accessing the documents please contact the Planning Strategy Team at [local.plan@stroud.gov.uk](mailto:local.plan@stroud.gov.uk) or call 01453 754143.

The Pre-Submission Draft Local Plan was approved for publication by Full Council on 29 April.

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## **New canal Throwback Thursday series with Museum in the Park**

Cotswold Canals Connected has started a Throwback Thursday series in which we feature various painting and artefacts from the Museum in the Park

The series began with this beautiful painting **A View of Wallbridge c.1785 - Unknown Artist**

The Thames & Severn canal construction began in 1783 – this painting shows the section at Wallbridge just after, when it was newly opened.

In the foreground a man is pulling a trow – its mast has been lowered so that it can pass under the bridge. Beyond the bridge we can see cargo which has been offloaded at the Upper Wharf. Another boat continues up the canal in the distance.

On the hills around the famous Stroud Scarlet wool is pegged out to dry, we can also see it being dyed in the middle of the painting.

Join Cotswold Canals Connected on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) & . to learn more about the history of the Stroudwater Canal and see more wonderful paintings and artefacts!



### Environment

## Daft as Brush!

The seventh instalment of the monthly Sustainability series from Museum in the Park, is now available on our website.

Here is an sneak preview from 'Daft as a Brush' by Collections Assistant, Fern Ryan:

*"These 2 pairs of hair brushes (left) and clothes brushes (right) belonged to Edmund Philip Kynaston Potter who lived from 1909 to 1990.*

*They were part of a larger set, given to him as a present when he was a young boy and decorated in silver with his initials.*

*While not everyone could have afforded initialled brushes, they show how a simple hair brush could be a treasured item kept for a lifetime.*

*These brushes were built to last and made of wood and natural fibres...*

*...We continue to use a number of different brushes in our homes today, brushes for cleaning, brushes for hair, brushes for teeth.*

*But in many cases they are frequently replaced and made with synthetic materials that take 100s of years to degrade in landfill."*

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*Url: <https://museuminthepark.org.uk/sustainable-stories/2021/7/14/daft-as-a-brush>*



Health and wellbeing

## Walled Garden News

With the combination of wet weather, a heat wave and hard work from all the gardeners, the walled garden at the Museum in the Park is looking stunning.

The walled garden was also host to the Longfield Hospice Butterfly Appeal - which saw 1,000 butterflies on display throughout the garden.

Photographs of this and more are in the latest blog from the walled garden volunteers.

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*Url: <https://museuminthepark.org.uk/walled-garden-volunteers-blog/2021/7/22/july>*



## Health and wellbeing

# The Pulse

Summer is here and what a change from this time last year.

The Pulse is buzzing with children from all of the local schools coming to enjoy a swim, inflatable fun session or some time in the gym.

Our SUMMER PASSPORT is available to purchase for all children between the ages of 2 & 18 years old and gives unlimited access to the pool, classes and the gym for the whole school holidays.

See the poster for details or get in touch on 01453 546441

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Url: <https://www.pulsedursley.co.uk/news/summer-passport-2021/>



## Resources

# Youth Voice Update - Election Results!

Stroud District Youth Council (SDYC) have completed their officer and leadership elections for 2021/22.

As usual they took place over a number of rounds and brought opportunities for some established members to be nominated and subsequently re-elected into roles previously held. However, it also offered a fresh chance for other members to experience the election process as a candidate for the first time.

Through the democratic nomination process, all posts available were filled. The line-up to serve until April 2022, is as follows:

- Former Vice Chair and ex-Leader, Lily Haines (Stroud Town & 5 Valley Youth Forum) was elected as Chairperson; whilst Fin Smith (Cainscross Youth Forum) was re-elected as Vice-Chair for a second term.
- Principal Member for Health and Wellbeing for the last 3 years, Ben Stone (Marling School) was elected as Leader of the Youth Council.
- Cate James-Hodges (Archway School) returned as Principal Member for Environment; whilst retiring Chair, Tom Wickham-Bassett (Stroud Town & 5 Valley Youth Forum) was voted into the role of Principal Member for Local Democracy.
- The two posts of Principal Member for Health and Wellbeing and Anti-Bullying, have been filled by Maxie Wells (Cam and Dursley Youth Forum) and Brandon Watkins (Thomas Keble School) respectively. Maxie and Brandon take on the aforementioned roles and join the Leadership Team for the first time, since joining SDYC.

On being elected as Leader, Ben said: *“As a youth council we’ve had an extraordinary past year or so, in light of challenges (some very personal) from the global circumstances. Now as we hopefully emerge from the pandemic, SDYC must refocus itself on the many projects and initiatives we have, to ensure that young people are fully represented. Using pre-covid experiences and strong leadership, I’m keen for us to advance the vital work we’ve already begun. By working collaboratively among ourselves and with partner organisations, we hope to improve matters for young people in Stroud district and beyond.”*

SDYC have begun meeting safely in person at Ebley Mill – this will continue as long as restrictions allow.

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## **Lucky Severn Community Lottery continues to deliver winners**

Lucky Severn Community Lottery continues to deliver winners | Stroud District Council

The Stroud District Lucky Severn Community Lottery is celebrating its first £2,000 win.

Since launching, more than 650 prizes have been won and almost £55,000 has been raised for the local community.

Lucky Severn Community Lottery is designed to help local not-for-profits diversify their fundraising streams and enable year-round fundraising in a safe, fun and effective way.

There are more than 75 registered causes that can be helped with a ticket purchase. The chosen cause will receive 60% of the £1 ticket with an additional 10% going to further support the local community.

The weekly prizes range from 3 free tickets to £25,000, providing a great opportunity to win a large amount of money as well as helping the local community.

This week there were six cash winners, four of which won £25, one with £250 and the top prize winner with £2,000. These winners were supporting a variety of good causes including: Nailsworth Youth Club, Stroud Valleys Project, Coram Life Education Gloucestershire (CLEG) and The Keepers - Wotton Area Community Hub. The two top prize winners were both supporting the Community Fund, the proceeds of this fund support a varied selection of good causes across the district.

*Stroud District Council Leader Doina Cornell, said “I would like to congratulate the winners this week and thank them for playing the Lucky Severn Community Lottery. The lottery has been a great success so far and we are very pleased to see so many people getting involved, whether that be players or good causes.*

*“It is important that we give back to not-for-profit organisations after the difficult year they have had and provide them with new fundraising opportunities. We are encouraging those that haven’t already to sign up to play and support your community whilst being in with the chance of winning some cash!”*

To support a local good cause and play the lottery today, visit:  
<https://www.luckysevernlottery.co.uk/support/find-a-good-cause>

Good causes will also receive a host of bespoke marketing materials and support as well as their own Lucky Severn Lottery web page. Sign up at any time for FREE, it’s so easy to do – simply visit  
<https://www.luckysevernlottery.co.uk/good-causes> to register.

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## #DiscoverStroudDistrict – and tell us about your favourite spots

The Summer holidays are here and we're celebrating some of the Stroud district's special spots to help everyone who needs some time out find the best places to explore.

We want to help people from all over the district to find new places, reconnect with favourite locations, and tell everyone about their favourites across the Stroud valleys, Severn Vale and Cotswold Edge.

Our Discover campaign, funded by the Government's Visitor Economy Fund highlights our Commons, Coaley Peak, William Tyndale Monument, our waterways, Stratford Park and Museum in the Park, and more.

*"The past year has shown a lot of us how important our environment is for our health and wellbeing, so we're celebrating our special places to help everyone get out and about more," said SDC Leader, Doina Cornell.*

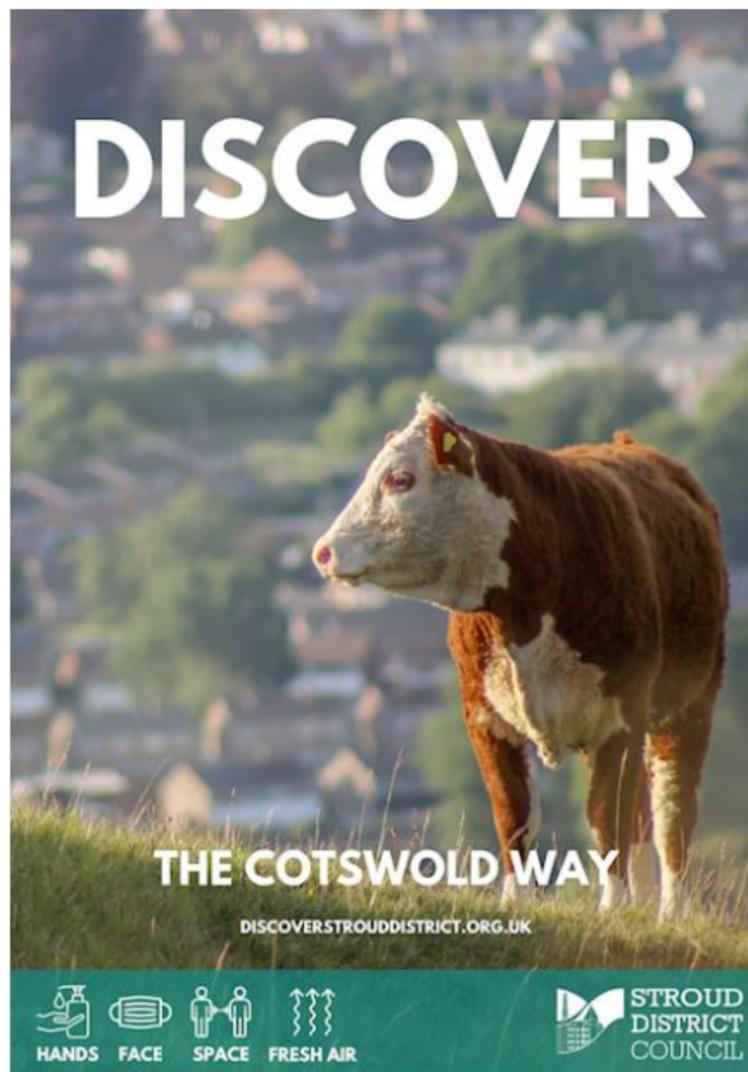
*"As a council we aim to lead communities that are making Stroud district a better place to live, work and visit for everyone. We hope that this campaign will inspire communities to re-visit their favourite spots and share with others."*

Although many Government restrictions have been lifted, we can all still play our part in restricting the spread of Covid-19 by washing hands regularly, wearing masks in crowded places, respecting others' space, and getting plenty of fresh air.

We want you to re-discover the Stroud District and share your favourite places with us using the hashtag #DiscoverStroudDistrict. You can also find out more information on the campaign at [www.discoverstrouddistrict.com](http://www.discoverstrouddistrict.com)

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Url: <http://www.visitthecotswolds.org.uk/plan-your-trip/discover-stroud-district/>



## Watch the #DiscoverStroudDistrict film

As part of our Discover campaign we commissioned a film to highlight some of the beautiful outdoor spots in the district - to inspire people to spend time outdoors discovering new places and sharing their favourites.

You can watch the film here <https://fb.watch/73FXzTDPo6/>

And please do like & share it on our social media channels:

Facebook: <https://fb.watch/77NN9WQCvJ/>

Twitter: <https://bit.ly/2WO5GnV>

Instagram: <https://bit.ly/3fngaRr>

LinkedIn: <https://bit.ly/3ikaucW>



## More free summer holiday activities for every child in Stroud district

Extra summer holiday activities for every child in the district are being laid on by Stroud District Council.

Swimming, gym sessions, fitness classes, DJ sessions, Forest Green Rovers tickets, and visits to Slimbridge Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust Berkeley Castle are all being offered free-of-charge.

Additional funding has been made available so that more children and families will have the opportunity to take part in fun, engaging activities this summer.

Please note that due to high demand, the scheme is limited to one activity event per family.

The activities are being funded by the Community Outbreak Management Fund, as a direct response to the difficulties many families face during the Coronavirus pandemic.

The council's Holiday Activity Fund for children who are eligible for free school meals has proved very popular, so this second set of free activities has been arranged by the council and partners for all children in the district.

*“We understand and know all too well that the last 18 months have been hard for so many families in the county,” said Councillor Chris Brine, Chair of Stroud District Council Community Services and Licensing Committee.*

*“I am pleased that we are able to offer more children more free activities during the summer holiday.”*

To find out more and sign up, visit

<https://www.stroud.gov.uk/community-health-and-wellbeing/holiday-activity-food-programme-2021/district-wide-offer>

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## Appeal to find Stratford Park playground vandals

Appeal to find Stratford Park playground vandals | Stroud District Council

Stroud District Council is appealing for people to contact the police with information about damage to play equipment in Stratford Park.

Vandals pulled metal play panels out of the ground along with their concrete foundations and moved them several metres away, leaving an area unusable.

The ground has since been made safe by district council staff.

Cllr Chris Brine, Stroud District Council's chair of Community Services & Licensing Committee said:

*"This is an absolutely mindless act of vandalism. The panels are so heavy that it would have taken several people to move them.*

*Stratford Park playground is a fantastic facility, much loved by children, and is set to be more popular this year with so many families holidaying at home.*

*We'll repair the damage, and our Neighbourhood Wardens are liaising with the police to step up patrols in the area.*

*The damage was noticed early on Thursday 22 July and is likely to have taken place the night before.*

*If anyone has any information about this, please report it Gloucestershire Police on 101 quoting incident number 415 22/07/2021."*

A key priority of Stroud District Council is promoting the health & wellbeing of our communities.

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## Top-up grants for hospitality businesses – applications open

Applications for top-up funding for hospitality businesses affected by the Coronavirus pandemic open today (July 22).

Stroud District Council is administering £1million-worth of Government Additional Restrictions Grants, having already distributed a total of £45million of grants and £3.5million of discretionary grants since the start of the pandemic.

For the purpose of this scheme, hospitality is defined as a business whose main function is to provide a venue for the consumption and sale of food and drink

Businesses must fall into one of the following sectors to be able to apply:

- Hospitality
- Travel and tourism sector, including group travel, travel agents and tour operators
- Wedding industries
- Nightclubs
- Theatres
- Events industries
- Taxis
- Wholesalers
- English language schools
- Breweries

- Freelance and mobile businesses (including caterers, events, hair, beauty and wedding related businesses)

Eligible businesses will receive a one-off payment based on the number of successful applications received.

*“The pandemic has been and continues to be an incredibly tough time for these sectors and we are doing all we can to support them through this,” said Stroud District Council leader Doina Cornell.*

*“I would urge all eligible businesses to make an application as soon as possible so we can pay out the funds they need.”*

To apply please visit [www.stroud.gov.uk/business/business-rates](http://www.stroud.gov.uk/business/business-rates), email [business.rates@stroud.gov.uk](mailto:business.rates@stroud.gov.uk) or call 01453 766321

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## **Illegal waste burning and storage costs defendant more than £3,000 in court**

Burning waste and keeping it without permission has cost a landowner more than £3,000 in court.

Wilfred Hunt of Bisley admitted three offences before Cheltenham Magistrates after Stroud District Council brought the prosecution.

After Council Officers were told of concerns about burning of waste materials, they visited the Bisley site one evening in July 2020 and found a bonfire of waste materials emitting dark smoke on industrial or trade land.

They also discovered a large amount of controlled waste that had been imported onto the land without any environmental exemption or permit.

Cheltenham Magistrates Court heard the case on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 and he admitted four charges:

- Emission of dark smoke from an Industrial or Trade premises under the Clean Air Act
- Three charges relating to the deposition of waste without the requisite waste exemption or permit.

Mr Hunt pleaded guilty to the offences and was fined a total £3,426.85 comprising a reduced fine of £864, an £86 victim surcharge and the Council's full costs of £2,476.85.

*"Burning of waste in this way is harmful to the environment and can affect people's health – particularly during a respiratory virus pandemic," said Stroud District Council Environment Committee Chair, Chloe Turner, after the hearing.*

*"Our Environment Protection Team will respond to reports of black smoke wherever possible, and as this case shows once again, we will take legal steps as well."*

Environmental Permits and Waste Exemptions can be applied for at the Environment Agency -

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/environment-agency>.

To find out more on domestic bonfires and how to avoid them please visit <https://www.stroud.gov.uk/environment/environmental-health/pollution-and-nuisance/bonfires-and-smoke-smoke-control>

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## July was `Plastic Free July' – here's 11 ways to stop consuming plastic

Did you know it was Plastic Free July last month? A global movement that encourages people to do what they can to help save the environment from plastic pollution. More than 300 million people across the world have taken up the challenge to date.

To help you, we've compiled a list of eleven easy ways to reduce your plastic use.

And remember, it's better to start out small than not at all.

**1.** Carry a reusable water bottle & coffee cup – Just 50% of plastic bottles are recycled and less than 0.5% of coffee cups. Using reusable bottles and coffee cups helps both the environment and your pocket. Visit [Domestic Science](#) in Nailsworth for sustainable water bottle and travel cup options.

**2.** Avoid pre-packaged food - Plastic free food options are usually available at local grocers, butchers and plastic free stores; meaning you can help the environment, support a small business, eat local and enjoy tastier produce all at the same time! Try Wotton's plastic free shop [Good Food on the Edge](#).

**3. Buy in bulk** - Buying in bulk cuts down your plastic consumption and is usually cheaper. Try [Loose](#) in Stroud.

**4. Remember your shopping bags** – On average a plastic bag is used for only 12 minutes – what a waste! Taking reusable bags is an easy habit to get into. If you forget them, be sure to reuse the plastic bags for as long as possible and if you have lots at home, most supermarkets offer a service where you can take them to be recycled. Visit [Recycle Now](#) to find your nearest carrier bag recycling point.

**5. Avoid synthetic fabrics or buy second hand clothing** – Buying clothes made of natural fibres such as cotton, linen and wool is not only better for the environment but will also last longer and be gentler on your skin. However, buying clothes made of natural fibres can be more expensive, so buying second hand clothing is a great alternative that reduces the demand for fast fashion and saves resources. Stroud district is full of charity and vintage shops such as [Longfield Hospice](#), [Oxfam](#) and [Time After Time](#).

**6. Make or buy a reusable face mask** – Making or buying your own reusable face mask will help reduce the amount of plastic going to landfill whilst also being cheaper than constantly buying disposable masks. [Here](#) is a tutorial on how to make your own mask.

**7. Use food containers** – Ditch the clingfilm and switch to food containers, preferably ones made of glass. Or store leftover food in a bowl covered with a plate. Check out [Cornflower and Calico](#) or Vintage Mary in Stroud's Shambles Market for your kitchenware needs.

**8. Stop using wipes** – There are many alternatives out there for cleaning, make-up removal and [babies](#), and they're usually more cost effective too. If you do buy wipes make sure they are plastic free and biodegradable.

**9. Look out for recycling reward schemes** – Some containers can't be recycled through council services; but they may be accepted by a recycling scheme – there's lots of information on local options [here](#). For example, [Boots](#) offer rewards points when empty beauty, health, wellness and dental products are returned.

**10. Shop responsibly for your toiletries** – Lots of companies are now starting to sell eco friendly alternatives to plastic packaged toiletries such as shampoo and conditioner bars, refillable deodorants and even plastic free bamboo plasters. Try [Trippy Lippy Naturals](#) for your beauty needs!

**11. Quit Smoking** – Cigarettes make up for a third of all collected litter. Cigarette filters contain microplastics which are a hazard to waterways, oceans and plants. If you needed another reason to quit, besides your health and the expense, this is it. Head to [NHS](#) for help and advice on how to quit.

One of Stroud District Council's key priorities is the environment and creating a better place to live for everyone. This commitment has been demonstrated through our recent submission to the MJ Awards for Leadership in Responding to the Climate Emergency. Our comprehensive strategy and plan drives progress on our undertaking to be carbon neutral and ecologically resilient by 2030.

For lots more tips and tricks on how to live plastic free in Stroud district visit [Action on Plastic](#), and download the [Refill app](#) to be connected with places to eat, drink and shop with less waste.

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## **We're committed to equality, diversity and inclusion – but there's more to do and you can be involved**

We're committed to equality, diversity and inclusion – but there's more to do and you can be involved | Stroud District Council

We are asking residents to tell us if there are monuments, plaques, buildings, street names or other representations of history that they feel

don't align with the values we want to live by.

We are launching an 8 week consultation to gather views on our draft Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Policy as well.

### **Review of street or building names and monuments in the district**

In 2020, the Black Lives Matter movement brought to the world's attention important issues relating to on-going racism in society. An important issue that was raised related to ensuring that commemorations of history are appropriate to the current time and the Council committed to consult with the community on any street names, buildings and statues within the district that may be considered offensive.

This review is to ensure statues and commemorations, as well as the names of streets and buildings, are representative of local people's values and those of a modern, inclusive Council.

As part of this review we want to ensure that the diversity of our communities is appropriately reflected so we're also asking for nominations of other names, particularly of under-represented groups, who have done something memorable and who we should celebrate.

This consultation therefore also invites the consideration for future recognition of individuals or events that celebrate diversity and important events in our recent history.

Feedback from the consultation will also be used to help determine a future approach to public spaces. Hearing from people through this consultation about what's important to them will help us ensure that in future the different histories and achievements are reflected.

Residents are also being asked what they think and feel about the Blackboy Clock, Blackboy House, Castle Street, Stroud and a comprehensive report detailing its history and what we know about the statue and the clock has been published with the consultation documents.

A Review Panel made up of community representatives, councillors and historians will review the findings to determine the action that should be taken. The suggestions received will be reviewed with a range of possible outcomes including but not limited to relocation, the addition of explanatory information, renaming or removal. In some cases, it may be decided that no action is necessary at all. The Review Panel will then publish it's recommendations based on the representations made.

*“We want to ensure that statues and commemorations, as well as the names of streets and buildings, are representative of local people’s values and those of a modern, inclusive Council,” said Cllr Natalie Bennett who chairs the Review Panel. “We have an opportunity to celebrate the diverse communities which make up the Stroud District and to recognise the achievements of people from black, Asian and ethnically diverse communities and from other underrepresented groups that may have been overlooked in the past. Hearing from people through this consultation about what’s important to them will help us achieve this.”*

- [Review of street or building names and monuments in the district consultation](#)

## **Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Policy**

The Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Policy aims to set out the Council’s commitment to providing an inclusive and supportive environment for our residents, our employees, members, contractors and visitors that is free from discrimination. As a public body, we have both a legal and moral duty to promote equality, diversity and inclusion amongst residents, service users and our own employees.

The consultation gives you the opportunity to review and submit your comments on the draft policy.

Stroud District Council is committed to equality, diversity and inclusion, valuing and recognising our differences, and we appreciate there is more we could do.

The draft policy proposes how the council will act on equality, diversity and inclusion over the next four years and our Action Plan details the work we have committed to undertake from April 2021 – March 2022 but we want to hear what else you think we need to do and we will either add it to this year’s Action Plan or the Action Plan for 2022-2023.

Following the consultation, responses will be collated, reviewed and incorporated into the policy, which will then be adopted at a full Council meeting.

The consultation is open for comments until 1 September 2021.

“Your feedback is really important so please get involved,” said Cllr Norman Kay, Chair of the Council’s Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Working Group. “We need to hear from as many people as possible in the district.”

[View the draft Equality, Diversity and Inclusion policy.](#)

To take part in the consultation, please respond to the survey links below

## ED&I Policy Survey

### Review of street or building names and monuments in the district

If you are unable to complete a response online, you can complete a paper copy of the consultation or complete the consultation by telephone.

### Word doc ED&I Policy Survey

### Word doc review of statues

Email your consultation response to [policy@stroud.gov.uk](mailto:policy@stroud.gov.uk)

The consultation findings will be shared with the public, all personal details will be removed before being published.

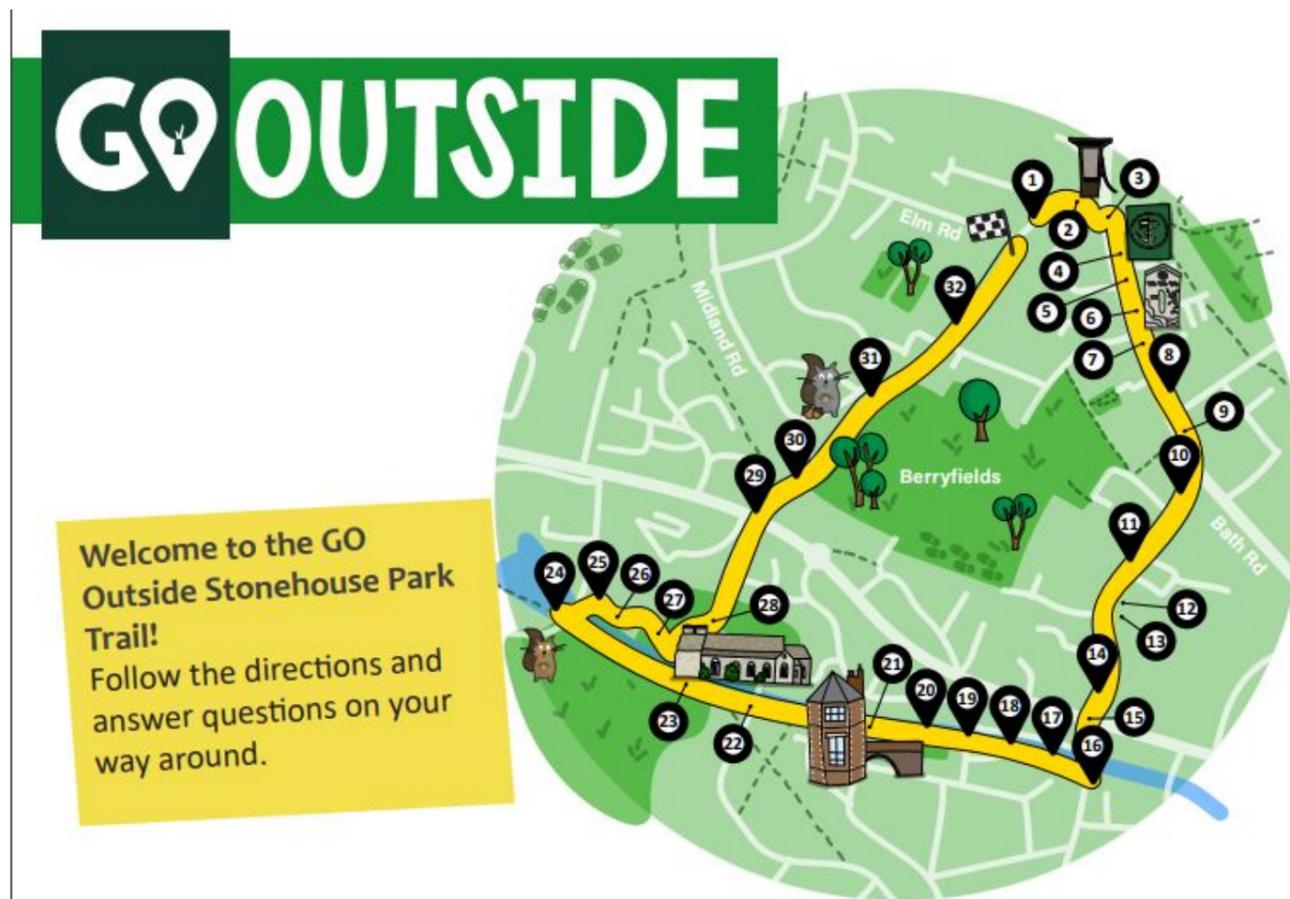
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## Children's summer holiday trails

Guided trail maps packed with puzzles, facts and challenges to help children learn more about Stroud district are available to download to use during the summer holiday.

There are currently six maps, each of which starts from a primary school, including Chalford, Wotton-under-Edge, Stonehouse, Cainscross, Dursley & Berkeley.

To download the maps, please visit <https://bit.ly/2UWUd4S>



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## Praise for waste & recycling crews

Like many services, our waste & recycling crews are under extra pressure because some of the team are self-isolating and there's a national shortage of HGV drivers.

When we posted a notice on SDC's social media channels recently to alert householders of missed collections, it was seen by more than 8,000 people in less than 24 hours.

Not only did it keep people informed, the post prompted an outpouring of gratitude for the work of the crews:

- Your Crews all do an awesome job. Please thank them from us all. They're all stars
- The refuse collection team work incredibly hard and they have provided a superb service throughout. Please give them all our thanks and very best wishes at this challenging time.
- Brilliant teams doing a fantastic job against the odds
- Well done for continuing to do the best through difficult times.
- A good service all round. Circumstances cant be helped and they do their very best usually to collect later on.
- Thank you crews and hope you're all okay!
- Thanks for keeping us informed - much appreciated
- Big thanks to all the teams who have been out collecting rubbish throughout this pandemic. You are appreciated
- Quite understandable. Youre doing a great service and should be valued more..
- Thank you .Stay strong, hope all your crews will soon be on the mend.
- Not going to complain they have been amazing all the way through lockdown
- The crews do an amazing job and I thank them for it. With lockdown, I had an excess of cardboard from deliveries, as I'm sure many others did too, and all has been collected every time. Hope they are all well and safe and I look forward to waving hi soon!
- Our food waste is only collected roughly every 3 weeks anyway Not collected again today but we're not on that list.
- Thank you to all your crews, have been absolutely amazing throughout.
- Well done to all our Waste Collectors. We are all very grateful.
- Time they were awarded a generous bonus.
- Fully agree with you
- Appreciate everything they do. who would put their hand up and say 'yes I'll do that job! ?
- ...and in this hot weather
- My granddaughter missed the smile and wave today. We missed them collecting.
- I can't fault the refuse and recycling collection service. Obviously current circumstances are making things very difficult for all the staff involved but I for one am sure they will continue to do their best to provide a crucial service.
- Well done for putting the information out there and also thanks for those staff doing the best they can under difficult circumstances.... Not just limited staff but working in extreme heat as well ...
- I'm still clapping you guys. You can only do your best.



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