**County Councillor Report Tysoe Parish Council Meeting 14th April 2025**

**Warwickshire's Supported Employment Service**

Warwickshire County Council’s Supported Employment Service is celebrating a significant milestone as it marks its second anniversary. The Warwickshire Supported Employment Service is designed to support Warwickshire young people and adults with autism and learning disabilities with an aspiration to work. Our ambition is to inspire those we work with to gain and sustain employment, striving towards independence and develop essential skills along the way. Discover more: <https://skillshub.warwickshire.gov.uk/supportive-employers-1/warwickshire-supported-employment-service>

**Youth group funding**

Youth groups across the county are invited to apply for small grants to support their work with young people aged 11-18. Discover more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/6065/funding-to-help-warwickshire-groups-working-with-young-people>

**New contract for short break and family care services**

Warwickshire County Council is pleased to announce a new contract to provide a range of short breaks and family care services for eligible children and young people aiming to provide better information and advice for people with mental health concerns, disabilities and those at risk of homelessness.

The services will provide information advice and interventions as well as community-based support for those at risk of losing their accommodation and accommodation-based support such as providing temporary housing. The services are inclusive of people with disabilities. Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/6126/local-authority-announces-new-contract-for-short-break-and-family-care-services>

**Free event for learner drivers, parents and carers**

Warwickshire Road Safety Partnership are excited to announce an event, on 30 April, designed to support parents and learner drivers to navigate learning to drive. This event aims to provide valuable insights and practical advice to achieve a successful journey towards obtaining a driver’s license. Experienced driving instructors and specialists will be available to share their expertise and personal experience, answering questions and providing top tips for learner drivers and their parents.

The interactive event is FREE to attend. It can benefit anyone thinking about learning to drive and learners getting ready to pass, Parents and carers can also benefit by understanding the legal requirements for supervising learner drivers and how to create a safe and supportive learning environment.

This FREE 60-minute event takes place on 30 April at 6pm – 7pm.

To book your place and receive your link to join this event, or for further information please visit: [Together on the Learning to Drive Journey](https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/b2bca0f2-a0f1-4cbf-847b-9a24a40e6e71@88b0aa06-5927-4bbb-a893-89cc2713ac82)

Discover more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/6137/together-on-the-learning-to-drive-journey-free-event-for-learner-drivers-parents-and-carers->

**£1M Highways Community Action Fund**

The Warwickshire Highways Community Action Fund (HCAF) is a £1 million investment designed to support local communities to improve our highways. Whether it’s resurfacing roads, installing safer signage, or enhancing public spaces, this fund empowers communities to bring their ideas to life.

**What can be funded?**

HCAF focuses on capital investments, ensuring lasting improvements to Warwickshire’s highways, including:

* Road resurfacing and pavement improvements
* Safer routes to schools and speed reduction measures
* Environmental enhancements like signage and wayfinding
* Flood prevention through improved drainage

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/hcaf>

**World Health Day 2025**

Throughout April, Warwickshire County Council is supporting World Health Day and raising awareness of the importance of health. Maternal Mental Health. Sexual Health. Physical Health. General Mental Health. Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/6133/council-promotes-health-and-wellbeing-services-in-warwickshire-for-world-health-day>

**Finding hope through volunteering**

Over the past 3 years more than a thousand Ukrainian nationals have begun a new chapter in Warwickshire.

This was enabled through over 950 hosted relationships and the support from generous Warwickshire residents. Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/6142/finding-hope-through-volunteering>

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