

# NEWS Roundup

## Week Ending 12.03.21



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### ChALC Focus

#### **REMINDER: Staff Appraisal Training with Arnie Skelton** **22<sup>nd</sup> March at 9.30pm**

Still a few places left on this half day session. Members £40 Non-Members £65

Please contact Nikki Hewitt directly on [nikkihewitt@chalc.org.uk](mailto:nikkihewitt@chalc.org.uk) to book your place

N.B. The latest training schedule with full details and course/session outlines can be downloaded from our website [here](#)

### NALC Focus

#### **NALC Launches a new guide on cyber security**

NALC has launched The Good Councillor's guide to cyber security in partnership with Microshade VSM. The guide aims to help local (parish and town) councils understand the importance of cyber security better and provide practical advice on minimising risks to the council. The guide features information on understanding the most common threats and also pays particular attention to smaller councils, which may have just one device that holds all current and historical information on the council's activities. Members are able to read the guide for FREE on the NALC website.

### CHESHIRE WEST & CHESTER Focus

**Live Well**  
**Cheshire West**

#### **Live Well Cheshire West – Perceived Gaps Report**

Each year, we produce a report with all of the feedback that we have received about any possible gaps in services for children, young people and their families. We have a duty to review, consider and respond to all of the feedback. Our responses within the report provide details about information and services that are currently available along with the work we are currently doing to

improve the gaps in services. The current [Perceived Gaps Report](#) is now live on Live Well Cheshire West

As a result of some feedback we are pleased to announce that we have redesigned the Health Section of Live Well with all conditions now placed under the [Health Conditions Section](#). This brings all the information and services under one section and in alphabetical order. So as well as NHS information sheets on most leading and long term conditions you will also find [National & Local Support Services for Disability or Long Term Conditions](#) under this section so everything in one easy to search place, plus if there is something missing that you'd like adding you can [CONTACT](#) us and we will update the portal.

#### **4 Member Briefings**

Please click on the hyperlinks below to access the full briefing.

[1727 - Changes to care home visiting arrangements](#): This member briefing sets out what those changes are and action taken from the Council to support the ease of care home visiting restrictions.

[1729 Guidance for the Pre Election period.pdf](#)

[1730 Section 19 Flooding report](#):

[1731 Extended opening hours at HWRCs.pdf](#) Information on new extended opening hours from 12 March at our larger HWRCs to help with increased demand.

### **CHESHIRE EAST Focus**

#### **Covid-19 Briefing for Elected Members 11.03.21**

**Asymptomatic testing availability** - From Monday 15 March, lateral flow testing can be undertaken at five new asymptomatic testing sites: -

- Macclesfield Community Centre – Dukes Street, SK11 6UR;
- New Life Church, Danesford Community Ctr, West Road, Congleton, CW12 4EU;
- Wesley Centre, Sandbach – Wesley Avenue, CW11 1DG;
- Middlewich Community Church – Brooks Lane, CW10 0JG; and
- Prestbury Village Hall – Macclesfield Road, SK10 4BW

[For more information, read our media release.](#)

**Self-isolation Framework** - Government has published a new framework that sets out local authority responsibilities to support individuals to self-isolate, when required to do so by COVID-19 legislation and guidance. From 31<sup>st</sup> March support will be provided through the local contact tracing team and the People Helping People service. This area of work will report through the officer Council Emergency Management Response Team (CEMART).

**Healthwatch Cheshire - Citizens' Focus Panel: Views on COVID-19 vaccinations** - [Access the views on COVID-19 vaccinations report here.](#) **Health and Wellbeing During Coronavirus survey** - [Access the views on Health and Wellbeing During Coronavirus survey here.](#)

**Vaccination programme update from Cheshire CCG** - [Read this week's CCG vaccination update here](#)

## **ADDITIONAL Focus**

### **Visit Chester and Cheshire: Inaugural Cheshire Day 30.03.2021**

'Join us virtually on 30th March 2021 as we celebrate the inaugural Cheshire Day. Let's reflect on everything that is great about our county and share our excitement for everything we can look forward to in the near future. You can celebrate however you so wish, just please be sure to use #CheshireDay on your social media posts'



The 30th March has been chosen since it was on this date in 1300 that earliest surviving full text of the Cheshire Magna Carta was issued

## **JOB VACANCIES**

### **Whitchurch Town Council**

**Chief Officer**

**Salary: £40,876 – £44,863**

An information pack and application form can be downloaded from website:

[www.whitchurchcouncil.uk](http://www.whitchurchcouncil.uk) or by emailing [clerk@whitchurchcouncil.uk](mailto:clerk@whitchurchcouncil.uk)

**Closing Date: 31 March 2021**

**Full details about the above vacancy and how to apply are available [here](#) on the ChALC website**