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## Beauty replaces hate at underpass



Beautiful artwork has now replaced hate-fuelled and offensive graffiti at an underpass in Dronfield.

North East Derbyshire District Council and partners have been working together to try and resolve the problem of hate and other types of graffiti at the underpass off Gosforth Drive.

This has culminated in artist Natasha Clarke working with over 500 youngsters from the surrounding schools to create stunning artwork on the underpass' pillars incorporating some of the young people's ideas exploring the themes of community, belonging, local heritage, and pride of place.

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## Fly tipper sentenced to prison

A rogue waste collector has received an immediate prison sentence following a lengthy investigation by North East Derbyshire District Council.

Mr Dwayne Simpson of Moor Crescent, Mosborough, initially plead not guilty to three offences including illegally depositing waste and failing to comply with notices requiring the production of a waste carrier licence, waste transfer notes and information relevant to the investigation.

On 17<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at Chesterfield Magistrate's Court Mr Simpson was found guilty of all three offences and received an immediate custodial sentence of 13 weeks.



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## School's out for summer!



We have so much happening at our leisure centres during the summer holidays, you'll be spoilt for choice!

All four of our centres in Eckington, Killamarsh, Dronfield and newly opened Clay Cross Active have activities taking place for youngsters of all ages and abilities.

[Find out more](#)

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## We want your views

North East Derbyshire District Council and Rykneld Homes are currently reviewing the Council's Allocations Policy, which governs how social housing is offered in the district.

As part of this update, local residents are invited to give feedback on proposed changes through a public consultation.

The consultation is open until **5 September 2025**.



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## Ensuring the safe use of inflatables



Serious incidents have occurred where inflatables have collapsed or blown away in windy conditions.

These simple precautions can help you avoid serious incidents, whether you supply or buy bouncy castles and inflatables, are hiring one for an event, or operate them.

Health and safety law applies to the supply, hire and use of inflatables for commercial purposes. It does not apply to private, domestic buyers and users.

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## Closure order extended for 'nightmare' Arkwright property

North East Derbyshire District Council has successfully secured an extension of a closure order for 54 Hardwick Drive, Arkwright, Chesterfield, following complaints highlighting a likelihood of persistent anti-social behaviour re-occurring at the address.



The extension was granted on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July at Chesterfield Magistrates' Court and will now remain in force until 4th October 2025.

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## Sustainable holidays - explore NE Derbyshire



With the school holidays kicking off, why not make the most of your summer by exploring the hidden treasures right on your doorstep?

Local holidays are a great way to escape the stress of long flights and pricey hotels, all while supporting your community and helping the environment.

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## 3G pitch comes to Clay Cross

North East Derbyshire District Council started construction for the new 3G pitch on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July which will be located behind the newly built Clay Cross Active, providing more facilities for Clay Cross and surrounding areas and continues the investment in high quality community leisure facilities.

A 3G pitch is a modern, all-weather pitch which not only enhances opportunities for year-round football training and matches but will also strengthens community cohesion, supports youth development, and promote healthier lifestyles.

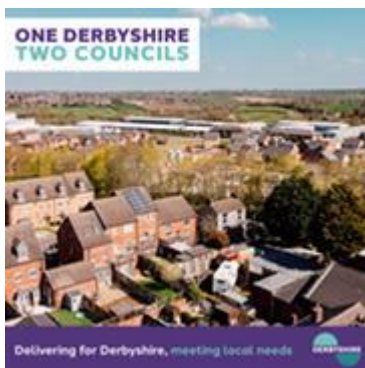


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## Still time to have your say!





Thousands of people across Derbyshire have been having their say about the future of the local councils that deliver their services.

Derbyshire's boroughs and districts and Derby City Council have come together to develop proposals that would see all councils in the county replaced and all local services delivered instead by two new local authorities – one covering northern Derbyshire, the other serving southern Derbyshire.

The proposals for change have been developed in response to a government decision to reorganise local government across England.

The consultation ends on 10 August.

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## Local Plan consultation ends soon

Residents across the district are being invited to help shape the future of their communities as the Council launches a public consultation on the new Local Plan.

Ending on 14 August 2025, the consultation marks a key milestone in planning how the district will grow and develop over the next 20 years.



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## What's on?



Events are taking place right across the district this summer.

Coming up:

- 31 July: Extreme Wheels Roadshow Tour comes to Coal Aston.
- 1 Aug: Extreme Wheels Roadshow Tour comes to Stonebroom.
- 2 August: Emergency Services Day at Matlock Farm

Park.

- 2/3 August: Cromford Steam Rally (see above).
- 3 August: Renishaw Hall Specialist Plant Fair.

- 4-28 August: FREE summer activities at Hasland and Grassmoor (see above).
- 5 August: Clay Cross Scam Prevention event.
- 5 August: Extreme Wheels Roadshow Tour comes to Killamarsh.
- 7 August: Extreme Wheels Roadshow Tour comes to Coal Aston.
- 13 August: Ashover Show.
- 24 August: The 2025 Peak District Highland Games at Matlock Farm Park.

Check out our events calendar to find out more: <https://www.ne-derbyshire.gov.uk/explore-the-district/events-calendar>

Got an event you'd like us to publicise? Drop us an email: [tourism@ne-derbyshire.gov.uk](mailto:tourism@ne-derbyshire.gov.uk)

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