

FINCHINGFIELD: 22 OCT 2024 7.30pm

COUNTY

Local Nature Recovery Strategy (LNRS) consultation submission – Due 24 October (still working on this draft response).

NO Local Highways Panel until Dec [hopefully including Finchingfield Weight restriction and x4 Horse Signs for Shalford B1053].

DIGIGO UPDATE seemingly insufficient vehicles to meet NORTH demand and is undermining confidence. Currently trying to meet with them this week with Cllr Ann Hooks (Rayne) – now escalated.

STAINES newsletter being delivered to 3 Fields & Gt Notley from now - ECC Election 1 MAY 2025

DISTRICT

We are awaiting news on the proposed Bardfield Bridge Closure – Half-term 28 OCT – 2 NOV and response to our one-way diversion suggestions and our prioritised works list to get the most benefit from the pain of the bridge being closed.

We have also been working with the Essex Wellbeing Services 0300 303 9988 M-F 8am – 7pm and Sat 9am – 12noon. They are now able to help with means-tested benefits too (e.g. Pension Credits)

WINTER preparedness : Warm rooms being collated by BDC – send yours to communityservices@braintree.gov.uk

As an alternative to heating the entire house BDC is looking to work with local organisations who work directly with the elderly, families and those on low incomes, **to identify a need, take bulk delivery and then distribute ELECTRIC BLANKETS this winter.**

Waiting to agree a new Digigo and Digital engagement next steps date in the Lion Finchingfield soon pm with NHS social prescriber and EWS Community Agent and Digital Essex and Digigo....

WARD

Can we include our short piece in the next Shalford Parish Magazine please? – Annex 1

Annex 1

16 OCT 2024

Dear Residents

Your District Councillors, Michael and Mark would like to flag the following to you.

We also wanted to highlight the great work of the **Essex Wellbeing Services (EWS)** and how they are helping folks stay independent in our ward.

They can help with getting benefits, equipment, blue badges, included in socials, getting about, meals and shopping and even caring support.

To refer yourself or someone else* for a boost just call EWS direct on **0300 303 9988**

M-F 8am – 7pm and Sat 9am – 12 noon.

*Please make sure you have the permission of the person you are referring



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