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This includes our Green Capital Grant designed to help tackle climate change by funding projects that reduce carbon emissions, improve energy efficiency and promote the use of renewable energy. We also offer a Capital Grant up to £4,000 to help with the purchase of equipment or renovation works, along with smaller £500 grants to help with service delivery costs, events and activities. Applications will also be accepted in this round from groups needing financial support to host Warm Spaces this winter.  If you have any questions or want to discuss an idea for an application, email: [grants@blaby.gov.uk](mailto:grants@blaby.gov.uk) For more information, including guidance notes, FAQs and access to our online application form, use the link below: | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Community Grants Scheme**](https://blaby.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=e14d20362ed3822be5be4ef96&id=20466cd454&e=b35e37413a) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **🌧️ Could you help your community cope with flooding?** | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Flooding in Any Street, Braunstone Town 2024 | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Earlier this year Storm Henk brought with it the worst flooding ever seen in the District, with overflowing rivers at their highest recorded levels. As the weather becomes increasingly unpredictable, this is the sort of situation we may face more frequently.  Which is why there's a new recruitment drive to encourage more people to become flood wardens. These are volunteers organised by Leicestershire County Council, who work with us, the Local Resilience Forum and the Environment Agency to aid the community during and after flood events. They are a first point of contact for flood warnings, they help spread flood awareness and ensure householders are prepared, and they also monitor and report situations which could help reduce flooding.  If you think you could be a flood warden and help your community then why not attend the Local Resilience Forum's next Flood Warden Engagement Event. It is being held at Leicestershire County Council County Hall, Leicester Road, Glenfield, from 11am to 3pm on Saturday 14 September.   The event is aimed at current flood wardens as well as anyone interested in taking on the role. You can find out exactly what the role involves, hear from and speak to partner agencies and mix with current flood wardens to get their firsthand view.   If you want to attend you'll need to register using the link below: | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Flood warden event**](https://blaby.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=e14d20362ed3822be5be4ef96&id=d589caff8e&e=b35e37413a) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **☑️Join us at our Autumn Job Fair** | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | People at a job fair generic pic | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Our September Job Fair is the last one for this year and takes place on Wednesday 25 September from 3pm to 5.30pm at Blaby District Council's offices on Desford Road, Narborough.  Whether you’re taking your first steps into employment, contemplating a career change, or simply looking for job advice, this is the perfect opportunity to meet with employers and organisations who can help you. Chat with our teams to hear about current vacancies and speak to a wide range of recruiters about available roles in firms from across the local area and beyond.    You can also get valuable advice on further learning, training, upskilling, apprenticeships and volunteering from the many organisations taking part. Don’t miss out on this chance to enhance your career prospects. Mark your calendar and join us at the Job Fair.  For more information use the link below: | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Autumn Job Fair**](https://blaby.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=e14d20362ed3822be5be4ef96&id=9b679c3b5a&e=b35e37413a) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **🦶 Improve your mobility** | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Steady Steps class | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Do you, or someone you know, want to improve strength, balance and mobility? Then why not come and try out our Steady Steps Plus classes in Blaby District. Our weekly classes are a great way to keep active in a friendly group.   Sessions are delivered at a variety of locations across Blaby District, including Blaby, Cosby, Countesthorpe, Glen Parva, Whetstone, Enderby, Leicester Forest East, Glenfield, Kirby Muxloe, Stoney Stanton and Sharnford. All classes are priced at £4 per session, pay as you go.  To confirm your interest please complete our online self-referral form [https://blaby.referral.org.uk/selfrefer](https://blaby.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=e14d20362ed3822be5be4ef96&id=105843d8ea&e=b35e37413a) or call the Active Blaby Team on 0116 272 7703.  For more information use the link below: | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Steady Steps Plus**](https://blaby.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=e14d20362ed3822be5be4ef96&id=9167543171&e=b35e37413a) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **🗳️ Annual canvass continues** | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Letterbox | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Our Annual Canvass continues to make sure we have the correct details for all those on the electoral register. It's an important yearly exercise ensuring our records are up-to-date, so no-one misses out on being able to vote in any upcoming elections.  For those people who were unable to respond to our emails which went out a couple of weeks ago, letters have been dropping on doormats. The letters contain all the details of how to respond. If anyone has any concerns or queries please contact: [electoral@blaby.gov.uk](mailto:electoral@blaby.gov.uk)  For more information use the link below: | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Annual Canvass**](https://blaby.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=e14d20362ed3822be5be4ef96&id=e8c7ab3d8c&e=b35e37413a) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **💻 Brush up your IT skills** | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Person on a laptop | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Would you like to brush up your IT skills and get internet savvy? Then sign up for a free two-part course being held next month.  Find out how to:   * Stay safe using the internet * Use websites and access information * Use forward and back buttons and add sites to favourites * Find out online about services offered by us as your local District Council   There are two sessions to this course which will run between 10am and noon on Tuesday 8 and 15 October at the Fosse Room, Braunstone Civic Centre, 209 Kingsway, Braunstone Town.  To book your free place call 0800 988 0308 and quote course code: 24EN536N. Eligibility requirements apply. For more information call Elanor on 0116 3050228 or  email: [Elanor.m.andrews@leics.gov.uk](mailto:Elanor.m.andrews@leics.gov.uk) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **📝 Enderby Hub appeal** | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Artists impression of Enderby Hub | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Blaby District Council has lost a planning appeal for a new logistics hub at St Johns, Enderby and will have to pay costs.  The Drummond Estate and Inverock Ltd launched an appeal earlier this year after the Council’s Planning Committee refused the outline application in October 2023. The site is identified for employment use in the Blaby District Local Plan, adopted in 2019.  The Planning Inspector reviewed the Council’s decision to refuse the application at a public hearing in July. He has now published his verdict, upholding the appeal and granting permission for the scheme.  The application includes plans for four warehouses, offices, gatehouses and, potentially, a training and education centre with access off Leicester Lane. A similar application for warehousing on the same site was given planning permission in June. | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **✔️ Employment advice** | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Career signpost | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Following the success of our event in June, Blaby District Council are joining forces with the National Careers Service once more to host an employment and career support session at the Council Offices on Monday 7 October from 1pm to 2pm.  The event will help provide pre-employment support, including CV and interview skills, as well as how to search and apply for jobs. It will also be a chance to identify training and development opportunities.  Advice will be available for anyone looking for work, whether just starting out in employment having left education or looking to make a career change. People will receive follow-up dedicated one-to-one support from the National Careers Service after the session.  If you’re interested in attending then please email: [enterprisingblaby@blaby.gov.uk](mailto:enterprisingblaby@blaby.gov.uk)  For more information use the link below: | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Employment and skills**](https://blaby.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=e14d20362ed3822be5be4ef96&id=42fb1b6816&e=b35e37413a) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **🧓 Pension Credit Week of Action** | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Pension credit pic | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | This week is Pension Credit Week of Action and we are helping spread the word on how anyone of State Pension Age (66+) on a low income could get extra money and help with heating costs. Pension Credit is worth, on average, £3,900 per year and unlocks additional support including Winter Fuel Payment, help with Council Tax, NHS dental care and for those over 75, a free TV licence.  Thanks to the Pension Credit backdating rules, it is possible to apply for Pension Credit and have the claim backdated by up to three months - so long as there is entitlement during that time. This means the latest date to apply and still qualify for a Winter Fuel Payment is Saturday 21 December 2024.  To apply you can fill out the online form (see link below) or call the Pension Credit claim line on **0800 99 1234**and they can fill in the application for you over the phone (lines are open Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm).  For more information use the link below: | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Pension Credit**](https://blaby.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=e14d20362ed3822be5be4ef96&id=fbf913e34b&e=b35e37413a) | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **📸 Help us mark 50 years of Blaby District Council. Send in your photos of the District since 1974. Email:** [public.relations@blaby.gov.uk](mailto:public.relations@blaby.gov.uk) 📸 | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Moving house info pic](https://blaby.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=e14d20362ed3822be5be4ef96&id=231428ad8b&e=b35e37413a) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Blaby District Council graphic "A great place to live, work and visit" | | | |
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