

SYSTON TOPIC

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Syston's Temporary Banking Hub

The temporary banking hub has now opened at the Syston Community Centre. The hub is being run by the post office and five different banks will have representatives available to talk to on a different day of the week.

You can read the full announcement on the page 3.



Cllrs James Poland, Tom Barkley, Sarah Braker with Ed Argar MP and Town Manager Catherine Voyce

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Banking Hub (Continued)

Cash Access UK, the organisation set up to protect nationwide access to cash, has opened a new temporary Banking Hub in Syston. The temporary Banking Hub provides locals with access to banking services, while plans for the permanent Hub continue to make headway.

The temporary Hub is open Monday to Friday, 9.30am to 4.30pm. The temporary Hub will remain available until the new permanent Banking Hub opens.

It will offer a counter service operated by the Post Office, where customers of all major banks and building societies can carry out regular cash transactions every day of the week.

It also offers a Community Banker service where customers can talk to their own banking provider on their allocated day about more complicated issues - appointments not taken, just turn up.

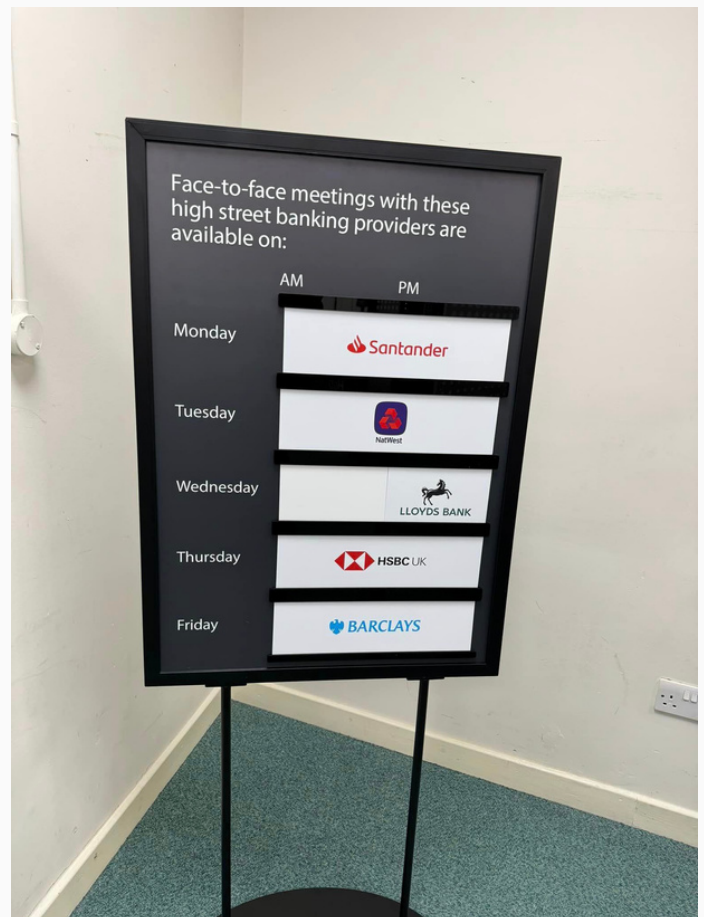
Community Bankers will work on rotation, with a different bank or building society available on each day of the week:

Monday: Santander
Tuesday: NatWest
Wednesday: Lloyds (PM)
Thursday: HSBC
Friday: Barclays

Alongside today's news, Cash Access UK is pleased to confirm that a permanent location has been secured and the permanent Banking Hub will

be located at 1262 Melton Road, Syston (the former Santander premises). Cash Access UK will continue to keep the community up to date with the progress of the permanent Hub.

The Banking Hub team look forward to welcoming residents to the temporary Banking Hub and supporting them with their everyday banking needs. They will also be able to keep residents up to date with progress on the permanent Banking Hub.



Freedom of the Town

Syston Town Council are looking to give freedom of the town to people who have made huge differences to the town of Syston and the residents living here. The freedom of the town is the highest honour that a Town or Parish Council has authority to bestow. Such an award doesn't confer any major privilege but is purely ceremonial. It is a good way of recognising achievement or distinction.

The freedom of the town will be presented at the Syston Town Council Civic Reception on Friday 17 May 2024.

If you know of anyone who has made a huge difference to the lives of those in Syston please complete the form on the following page and send it to:

Syston Town Council
Community Centre
School Street
Syston
Leicestershire
LE7 1HN



Alternatively you can email this to catherine@systontowncouncil.gov.uk

Summer Bedding Displays 2023



FREEDOM OF THE TOWN

Name of Nominee

Address of Nominee

Email address of
Nominee

Phone number of
Nominee

**Please state in what areas or roles has the nominee
excelled or contributed?**

**Does this person know that they have
been nominated? (Please Circle)**

Yes / No

Your Name

Your Address

Your Telephone
Number

Please send the completed for to:

Syston Town Council, Community Centre, School Street, Syston, Leicestershire, LE7 1HN

Alternatively you can email this to catherine@systontowncouncil.gov.uk

Vending Machine

The Syston Community Centre now has a vending machine installed in the reception area. The machine vends a range of bean to cup coffee drinks as well as tea, hot chocolate and soups. The machine is available for use by those using the community centre as well as the general public. All drinks and soup are priced at £1.50 and the machine is card payment only. Contactless can also be used.



King Charles III Bench - Park Square

The Syston History Society have kindly donated a bench to the Town to commemorate the coronation of King Charles III. The bench is located in Park Square, Central Park which is a popular place to sit and watch the world go by.



Churchyard Volunteer Team

Are you looking for a meaningful way to give back to your community and connect with like-minded individuals? St Peter & St Paul Church is in a special part of Old Syston providing a place of solace, worship and support. The beautiful churchyard is a serene oasis in the heart of the town.

We need volunteers to play a vital role in helping to maintain and beautify our Churchyard. Whether you have a green thumb or just a passion for helping out, there is a place for you.

Some of the activities you can get involved in:
weeding, pruning, litter picking, planting and enhancing flower borders and assisting in special events and services.

Why volunteer with us?

- Make a positive impact in your community
- Create lasting friendships and connections
- Enjoy the tranquillity of our beautiful churchyard
- Develop new skills and gain valuable experience
- Give back a meaningful and fulfilling way

We understand that your time is valuable, and we appreciate any amount of time you can spare. Whether you can volunteer once a week, or once a month, your contribution is highly valued and essential to our mission.

Join Us Today! Becoming a part of our Churchyard Volunteer Team is easy!

Simply contact us below and we will be delighted to welcome you aboard.

Tel: 0116 2607150

Email: mailbox@systontowncouncil.gov.uk



System Town Council Declares Climate Emergency

At the first Full Council meeting following the summer recess, Syston Town Council voted unanimously to declare a Climate Emergency.

As one of the largest towns in Charnwood, as well as one of the largest town or parish councils in Leicestershire, it is important that we take a leading role in our area on the Climate and Nature Emergency. We seek to follow the lead of Leicestershire County Council's declaration and become a net-zero organisation by 2030 and a net zero town by 2045. Further, Syston Town Council has signed the Leicestershire Climate and Nature Pact to show our commitment to working together to combat climate change and ecological decline.

We cannot wait for national governments to change their policies, and so we must act independently. By demonstrating what local communities can achieve, we can push regional and national governments to meet their commitments. For the residents of Syston, and the rest of the UK, it is vital that councils commit to, and deliver, carbon neutrality of their operations as quickly as possible - we want to be leading the way. It is our intention to beat the 2030 aim, whilst showing innovative ways of achieving this target.

It is our pledge to the residents of Syston to work with all parts of our community to enable them to match and better our efforts. We want to not only demonstrate what we can do, but share our successes with each other, other parishes, and anyone else who can benefit from our actions and best practice. To support this, Syston Town Council has joined the Communities Network Foundation, whose aim is to link local groups to support the sharing of information and learn from other councils and organisations about what has worked for them.

Syston Town Council wants to use this declaration as a starting point. We plan to place climate concerns as central to our decision-making processes. This will include:

- Work towards achieving net zero with Syston Town Council operations if possible by 2030.
- Pressuring planning matters to include emissions and nature commitments.
- Encouraging active public transport by looking for improvements and investments.
- Seek to improve and expand allotment availability
- Look to plant more, and plan the long-term replacement for removed, trees and hedges of Syston Town Council land.
- Facilitate activity by the community to reduce waste, increase re-use and maximise recycling.

This is not a limiting list, but the Council's first thoughts. We would encourage anyone who has suggestions or ideas about how, as a Town, we can deliver our ambitions around Climate and Nature to contact the council or councillors so we can bring together all the ideas and concerns of Syston residents.

Together we can deliver a greener, more sustainable Syston.

Cllr Martin Cooper



Live more climate-friendly

Make daily choices that reduce your impact on the environment and support a Net Zero Leicestershire



Active travel

Choose to walk or cycle when you can. You could save £11 a year for every mile travelled, save 29kg of carbon and improve your health at the same time.



Reduce, reuse, repair, recycle

Lower the amount you throw away. Follow the four 'R's' to conserve natural resources.

Love Food Hate Waste

In Leicestershire, around a third of rubbish in black bins is food waste. Taking simple steps, like meal planning, can help reduce waste and save you money.

Shop local

By buying local, in-season produce, the goods you buy have not travelled the distances imported goods will have.



Switch off and unplug

Cut costs on your energy bills and reduce carbon by switching off appliances and avoiding stand-by when not in use.



Reduce single use items

Seek alternative reusable items where possible - from carrier bags to bottles to food packaging - to help cut waste and reduce emissions.



Visit www.leicestershire.gov.uk/netzero for more ideas and to find out more about Net Zero Leicestershire

Live more climate-friendly

Make daily choices that reduce your impact on the environment and support a Net Zero Leicestershire

Conserve water

An average person unknowingly wastes up to 30 gallons of water daily. Reduce usage by turning off taps when not in use and reusing waste water in the garden.



Try plant-based alternatives

Consider substituting meat with plant-based alternatives for some of your meals. A meat rich diet generates more carbon emissions than a plant-based diet.

Recycle clothing

Give clothes another life by swapping, borrowing, renting or buying second-hand and wash clothes less, and at lower temperatures to give them a longer life.

Take fewer flights

Take a train rather than a plane for shorter journeys as it emits less carbon.



Check energy labels

Buy efficient appliances with top energy ratings. The scale goes from A (efficient) to G (least efficient).



Carry on the conversation

Keep informed, explore the topic of climate change and share what you've learnt. Search #NetZeroLeicestershire on social media.



Visit www.leicestershire.gov.uk/netzero for more ideas and to find out more about Net Zero Leicestershire

Friends of Barkby Road Cemetery

Hello. There is not really a lot to report this month, however in preparation for the winter months, all the pipes in the toilet have been lagged, to protect them from frost. (I expect it means we're in for a hard winter ahead)

A wall heater has now been installed in the waiting room to keep you warm if you are using it. The heater in the Chapel had also been checked and is fully working now to keep the chill off when the Chapel is used for services.

The Chapel will be open on Saturday 11th Armistice day and Sunday 12th November Remembrance Sunday.

If you think that your loved one's grave / headstone is in need of restoration, we have details of Grave Concern, a restoration company, at the offices of Syston Town Council.

As always, if you wish to purchase a standard rose or maybe adopt the fountain by planting it with flowers, in memory of a loved one, please contact Catherine Voyce at Syston Town Council, catherine@systontowncouncil.gov.uk.

Take care everyone.

Ros



Report by Leicestershire County Cllr James Poland

September saw the opening of the new banking hub in Syston, a place where banking services are provided to people regardless of which bank they're with. Based temporarily at the Syston Community Centre, in the longer term it will be permanently based where Santander was on Melton Road and is run by the Post Office. This is a great new facility for the town and many thanks to the Town Council, Edward Argar MP and all those who made this happen.

Authorities and local communities working together on climate change

Communities across Leicestershire are being given the chance to play their part in tackling climate change and help Leicestershire become a net zero county by 2045. More support has been made available to parish councils, community groups and residents who want to get involved and make a real difference with the creation of a new easy-to-use toolkit.

The online resource has been developed by the Green Living Leicestershire Partnership, of which Leicestershire County Council is a leading member. The toolkit aims to provide a starting point for Leicestershire groups to address net zero in their community and aligns to the Leicestershire Climate and Nature Pact. Including helpful tips and advice, the toolkit has been designed to help kick-start community action, including guidance on how to identify sources of carbon emissions in their local area, setting clear reduction targets, getting



Cllr James Poland

the community involved in supporting initiatives, working with communities and signing up to the Leicestershire Climate and Nature Pact.

It is hoped the net zero toolkit will be a step in the right direction in supporting parishes and local businesses to reduce emissions and their carbon footprint. More information about the net zero toolkit can be found here:

<https://www.leicestershirecommunities.org.uk/parish-councils/net-zero-toolkit>

More information about the Leicestershire Climate and Nature Pact is available on the County Council's website:

<https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/environment-and-planning/net-zero/sign-up-to-the-leicestershire-climate-and-nature-pact>

Fair funding talks with Minister as campaign continues

Council leaders have met local government minister, Lee Rowley MP, as part of a long-running campaign calling for fair funding. The positive

discussion follows constructive talks with the Chancellor, Jeremy Hunt, in Westminster which saw proposals set out for a pragmatic, temporary fix which would see Government put in an extra £350m to level up 32 of the lowest funded councils.

The meeting coincided with the publication of a council budget update which shows a £9m overspend this year as the costs of children's and adult social care rocket. Inflation, the National Living Wage and increasing pressures on vital services are driving up the council's costs and could push its budget shortfall over £100m by 2027. On Friday 15th September the County's Cabinet heard that intensive work is taking place focussing on managing future demand and close management of costs will continue to reduce the forecast overspend. The Leader of County Council Nick Rushton said:

"The latest financial forecast typifies the grim reality facing councils up and down the country. Let me be clear - we're not about to issue a section 114 notice. We're super-efficient and pride ourselves on doing the best we can with the money we have, but spiralling costs are making it much harder to keep our head above water. With many other well run authorities also facing similar pressures, local government is reaching new territory. We have a credible solution which can be implemented quickly and the minister reassured us he would take our comments back to Government"

Leicestershire is the lowest funded county council in the country and has

long been calling for funding reform. After saving £250m since 2010, Leicestershire County Council is already a very lean organisation and cannot realistically carry on in its current form without financial help from government.

James Poland CC

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Been living in Syston for at least a year?

Struggling to make ends meet?

In need of essential items for your home or family?

The H A Taylor Fund can help.

H A Taylor Fund is a local charity that provides essential household items to Syston residents who are in financial hardship or otherwise in need. We can help with beds, essential appliances, clothing, mobility equipment, home improvements and other items necessary to achieve a reasonable standard of daily life.

To find out more, please contact Charity Link on 0116 222 2200 or email trustadmin@charity-link.org and ask for an H A Taylor Fund application form.

You can also visit our website www.charity-link.org/h-a-taylor-fund to download an application form.

Playground panel

A new playground panel has been formed by Syston Town Council. The panel are looking at how to improve the playgrounds under Syston Town Council (Central Park, Deville Park, Winfield Park and Archdale Park)

The first meeting took place in July with the panel looking through the recent RoSPA reports and addressing actions initially that are quick fixes.

The Zipwire on Deville Park now back up and running. A piece of play equipment on Archdale Park is also being removed with the hopes that this will be replaced with some new exciting equipment. Painting of some equipment has also take place at Archdale and Neil our Estates Officer has done a fantastic job. You can see some before and after photos of the work below.



We need your views!

Syston Town Council owns five playgrounds some are nearing the end of their useful life, others just need smartening up.

If you have children or grandchildren that use our playgrounds and would like the opportunity to have a say in the commissioning of new equipment please contact mailbox@systontowncouncil.gov.uk (mark the subject header PLAYGROUND PANEL) or call 0116 2607150.

We particularly welcome people with experience of inclusive playground equipment.



Public Notice – Remembrance Sunday, 12 November 2023

LEST WE FORGET

A reminder to all Syston residents, visitors, local societies and voluntary organisations, that this years' **Remembrance Sunday Parade and Service is on Sunday, 12 November.**

The parade, led by a piper and drums will leave the Melton Road car park at 10.30 am followed by the Syston Scout at 10.40 am, and march along Melton Road to the War Memorial at Central Park where the service and Act of Remembrance will take place. As is customary, wreaths will be placed on and around the War Memorial.

Anyone who is in the armed forces with a Syston connection who is home on leave is invited to join the parade in the ranks of the British Legion, in or out of uniform.

Please note that the roads and Melton Road car park and parking bays along the route will be closed to traffic from the mini-island at the junction of Melton Road, High Street and Barkby Road, up to the War Memorial to allow the parade along Melton Road. All linked side roads along the route will also be closed or partially closed. Bus routes through Syston will be temporarily suspended/diverted.

All residents are invited to attend a short service at St Peter and St Paul Church after the parade. Refreshments will be served at The Malt House Suite and entertainment will be provided by the legendary Sarah Clarke who will singing all your favourite war time songs.

A short service and two minutes silence will be observed at the War Memorial on Saturday, 11 November from 10.45 am.



See page 25 for information on the road closure that will be taking place on Sunday 12th November

Syston Town Council - Litter Care Scheme

As we are all too aware, litter is often a problem in Syston. It is a problem on parks, the streets and on natural areas such as country footpaths etc. We are however, lucky to have a number of altruistic volunteers who currently carry out litter picking in the town. But as we cannot ensure the level of litter picking will be maintained, and in order to engender more community spirit, Syston Town Council aim to (excuse the pun), pick up on this and encourage others to help is maintain a litter-free Town by proposing a three-point litter scheme (Litter Care) where we highlight the issue and encourage members of the public to engage with us to help keep Syston free of litter.

1. Educate and encourage people NOT to drop litter in the first place (thereby risking a fine) and to use the bins provided.
2. Council request that more residents 'do their bit' by picking up litter and disposing of it correctly when they are out walking in the Town; regular walkers in the Town e.g. dog walkers could help as they get out and about in our parks especially. The council have a limited number of litter-picking sticks that can be borrowed on a long-term basis for any volunteers that come forward to help (a small deposit may be requested to ensure safe return).
3. Council request that business owners and managers also help by ensuring that the front of their

premises are kept litter free. This will have the added benefit of helping the enterprise look smarter thereby potentially attracting more custom.

Where bins are found to be full and in need of emptying, people are encouraged to report this to either: Syston Town Council Litter Care (0116 260 7150), Charnwood Borough Council (01509 963 4563) or by using the Love Clean Streets App.

The Council do hope that members of the public and business owners will see the merits of our Litter Care Scheme and will come forward to help keep Syston tidy. Please call 0116 260 7150 or call in at the council offices on School Street to register your interest. Any help will be very much appreciated by not only Councillors but also residents and visitors to the town.

Cllr Phil Knight



New Chairman and Vice Chairman- Syston Town Council

Welcome to our new Chairman Cllr John Lucas. John was elected at the October Full Council meeting. John has served as a Councillor since 2014 and also as Vice Chair for the last three years.

Cllr Satish Visavadia was elected to fill the vacated post of Vice Chair left by Cllr John Lucas. Cllr Visavadia is a well known businessman and academic.



Chairman Councillor John Lucas



Vice Chairman Councillor Satish Visavadia

Ward Membership

Merton Ward

Cllr Lyn Gillard
Cllr John Lucas
Cllr Phil Walden
Cllr Scott Walker
Cllr Satish Visavadia
VACANCY
VACANCY

New Barkby Ward

Cllr Matt Davis
Cllr Ian Hayes
Cllr David Isaac
Cllr David Pepper
VACANCY

St Peters East Ward

Cllr Susan Gerrard
Cllr Stephen Hampson
Cllr Sharon Norman
VACANCY

St Peters West Ward

Cllr Sarah Braker
Cllr Martin Cooper
Cllr Philip Knight
Cllr Jo Porter

After the recent introduction of a new group concept titled 'Imaginarium' another fascinating new addition to consider joining is 'Art Appreciation'. Know little or nothing about Art, Artists, the backstory and interpretation but know what you like? Then this interesting and informative new group is a good start to learning more. It gives everyone an opportunity to explore the skill and creativity of Art which many of us take for granted and barely consider. Here you will discover what Art and Artists of their time strive to convey.

On a visit to London and looking at the 'Wallace Collection' I engaged in conversation with a Curator which was both enlightening and transformative. This random meeting led to a new found understanding of the meaning embedded within a Dutch masterpiece. The clue(s) are in detail provided you understand how to look (and learn).



What are the historical aspects of art and the influence on it which help us gain understanding and appreciation of Art? Having started with mediaeval art the aim is to engage with a diverse group of Members. Wherever the group leads is guaranteed to show how 'the time' transformed Art. Imagine the journey from Leonardo da Vinci's iconic 'The Last Supper' to Andy Warhol's 'Campbell's Soup Cans' and a range of other genres in between. All Art reflects society, significant events, opinion and feelings of their time. There may be terms like Baroque or Rococo but fear not this group will 'hold your hand' and provide an opportunity to explore for yourself the wonders of many and different Art styles whilst enjoying the achievement of added knowledge and satisfaction to have a new topic of conversation to share with others.

For more information and how to join Syston and District U3A go to www.systonu3a.org.uk

Unleash your productivity with hot desking at Syston Sports Pavilion

Our brand-new refurbished sports pavilion on Memorial Park is the perfect place to work from if you are looking for peace and quiet and great views of our much-loved park.

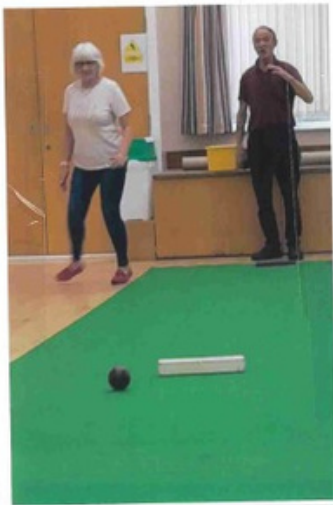
Facilities:

- Located close to the town centre
- Modern facilities
- Flexible booking options
- Wifi
- Kitchen
- On site car park

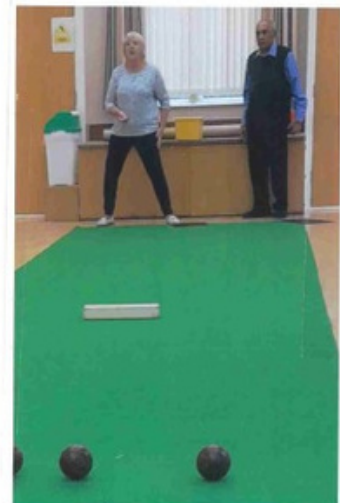
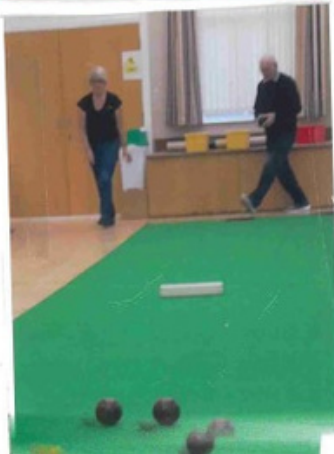
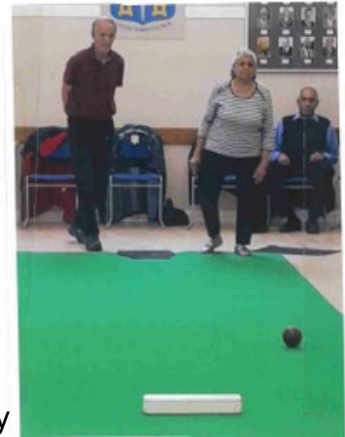
Enquire now:

Call: 0116 260 7150

Email: mailbox@systontowncouncil.gov.uk



WEDNESDAY
1.45 - 3.45 Syston Community
NO MEMBERSHIP Centre
Just come along give it a try
enjoy the company.



Cemetery of the Year Award

Industry Award for Local Cemetery

Syston & District Cemetery has scooped a Silver award at the National Cemetery of the Year Awards.

The Memorial Awareness Board (MAB) has been promoting and organising the Cemetery of the Year Awards for nearly 20 years. Syston & District Cemetery won the 2023/24 Silver prize in the Parish, Town and Community Council category of the National Competition and received the award in September.

Philip Potts of the Memorial Awareness Board said:

“The awards are an excellent opportunity to reward hard-working staff and demonstrate the central role Cemeteries can play in the community. They provide places of peaceful contemplation and beauty, as well as their ecological importance.

The team at Syston & District Cemetery performed exceptionally throughout the extensive judging period which is focused on Industry Standards, Environmental Issues and Good Practice”

Catherine Voyce, Cemetery Manager said: “This award provides well-deserved recognition for our team, it acknowledges that we really go above and beyond to try and provide a reliable, friendly and quality service. Everyone here at Syston Town Council is delighted”

The Cemetery of the Year Awards are supported and endorsed by the following leading industry Associations –

- Memorial Awareness Board (MAB)
- Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management (ICCM)
- The Federation of Burial and Cremation Authorities(FBCA)
- The Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC)
- British Register of Accredited Memorial Masons (BRAMM)



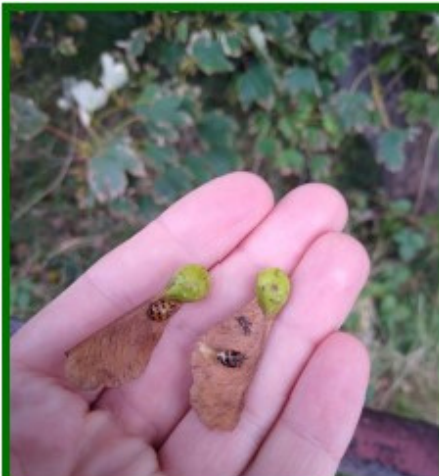
Town Manager Catherine Voyce and Deputy Town Manager Ursula Southan receiving the award

Syston Sequestration

Cllr Matt Davis - Syston Tree Warden



palmate leaf



'helicopters'



Wanlip Road

Thank you to those who provided us with pictures of exceptional trees, when we asked. These are trees that hold a special place in your heart. Syston has many trees dotted around, many have been here before the arrival of the car.

Sequestration is the term for carbon that is removed from the air and then stored in trees. It is used as a measure of the rate of carbon removal by a tree. With regard to the recent loss of the recent loss of the Sycamore Gap, did you know that the Sycamore is not classified as a native tree to the UK? Thought to be introduced either by the Romans or by persons unknown in the Middle Ages. Not being a native species, they are often overlooked, being seen by gardeners as a thug and contributing to tail delays due to their oily leaf sap. They have adapted well to our climate, are the third most important tree for pollution removal and carbon storage (after natives oak and ash) and are not subject to the vast range of pests and diseases currently affecting our native trees. Their characteristics include grey bark with palmate leaves, and winged seeds, which children refer to as 'helicopters'

In terms of sequestration, Leicestershire's sycamores remove 9.3 tonnes of carbon per year, while they are thought to store well over 25,000 tonnes of carbon. Sycamores can live to between 200 and 400 years. As well as being used by wildlife for food and shelter, including the sycamore aphid, their wood was once used to make welsh love spoons.

These sycamore are located on Wanlip Road after leaving the Hope & Anchor.



Cllr Matt Davis

Spearheading Syston Town Council to engage the Business and Commercial sectors

We write this short but reflective article with an open mind, with the sole objective to understand not just the workings of the townspeople of Syston and its council but also how to implement changes reflected upon its business and commercial needs. With today's current outlook with climate change and many facing the bite of the economic turmoil not experienced since the 1970s, we are all undergoing challenges which are met with increased costs that have impacted us all. As Councillors, living in Syston, we have always been fascinated by the diverse nature of business and the commercial sector that surrounds the communities with the rich diversity of companies, retail shops and traders. Our excellent array of restaurants together with cafes and coffee shops adds to the beauty and scenery of Syston. The scale and the valuable contribution the business and commercial sector make is not always understood nor publicised.

As a council we need to get to know and understand more about you and your needs.

The election of the new Town Council this year, has turned a cornerstone in Syston's future, Work continues to progress and to some extent the council's work will be challenging in the future as we implement changes and explore inventiveness.

One area where there is scope for us to develop and grow is with our connectivity and work with the

business and commercial sector. The relationships between local councils and businesses have always been essential to securing and sustaining a business voice to inform local views and location-based decisions to guide action to enable businesses to thrive where possible. The local town council needs to work with the local commercial and industry sector in a variety of ways and perhaps one way to begin is with the process of engagement. Subject to interest from the local sector, the Town Council may organise an event where the people from both sectors collaborate with their councillors and take forward a plan of action as to particular areas of interests. Some key areas to consider may include:

- Attracting talent and skills into the area
- Supporting entrepreneurs
- Encouraging access to the Town's facilities for meetings and training.
- More involvement by the business community
- Involvement with Syston Topic
- and any areas where the council is able to support and connect

We welcome anyone from business and the commercial sector in Syston to contact us to look at ways how we could work in the future and more importantly, how we could support each other to make Syston a bigger and better commercial hub for trade and business in the future.

Cllr's Satish Visavadia and Matt Davis



Melton & District Indoor Bowls Club

www.meltonindoorbowls.co.uk | 01664 410159

supporting your **Your Mental Wellbeing**

People's mental wellbeing, keeping motivated, combating loneliness, keeping fit and supporting people during bereavement are all things we hear and talk about regularly.

Why not come along and meet us!
**Indoor
Bowling**
supporting
**The Local
Community**



We believe that the Melton Indoor Bowls Club is an ideal friendly and safe place to come and spend a few hours, chill out, have a chat over a cuppa or feel free to use our Restaurant for lunch or an early evening meal.

Come and join us at our

Just Roll-up & Chat Coffee Morning

**1st and 3rd Tuesday
of each month**

from 10:00am to 12:00 noon

For further information please see our website

www.meltonindoorbowls.co.uk or contact us on **01664 410159**

In conjunction with the NHS Social Prescribing Program, Barnes Funeral Directors & Age UK

Activated Speed Signs

A new speed activation sign has been installed on High Street. The sign will be moved around four different locations in Syston every six weeks. These are Barkby Road, Barkby Lane, High Street and Melton Road.



Dennis North Bench

The late Mr Dennis North sadly passed away on 29 December 2022. Dennis served with the British Royal Navy during the second world war. He was involved in the D-Day landings to land troops on several trips from HMS Vivacious. He also played a part in the sinking of Mulberry Harbour to allow larger ships to enter.

In 2019 Dennis was awarded the Investiture Legion d'Honneur from the French Government, France's highest distinction, this was for the part he played in the D- Day landings.

Syston Royal British Legion have donated a bench in honour of Dennis which will be located close to the War Memorial on Central Park and this will be unveiled on Armistice Day Saturday 11 November before the act of remembrance.

Road Closures

Mostyn Avenue, Syston 14th – 15th November 2023

A Temporary Traffic Regulation Order (TTRO) is to be made for the following location: Mostyn Avenue, Syston.

The purpose of the TTRO is to allow Severn Trent Water Ltd safely undertake remedial repair works in the carriageway.

The TTRO will incorporate a temporary road closure.

The duration of the restriction is not anticipated to exceed a period of 2 days commencing on the 14th November 2023.

Memorial Park footpath to Fosse Way – Footpath L45, Syston - 13th November 2023

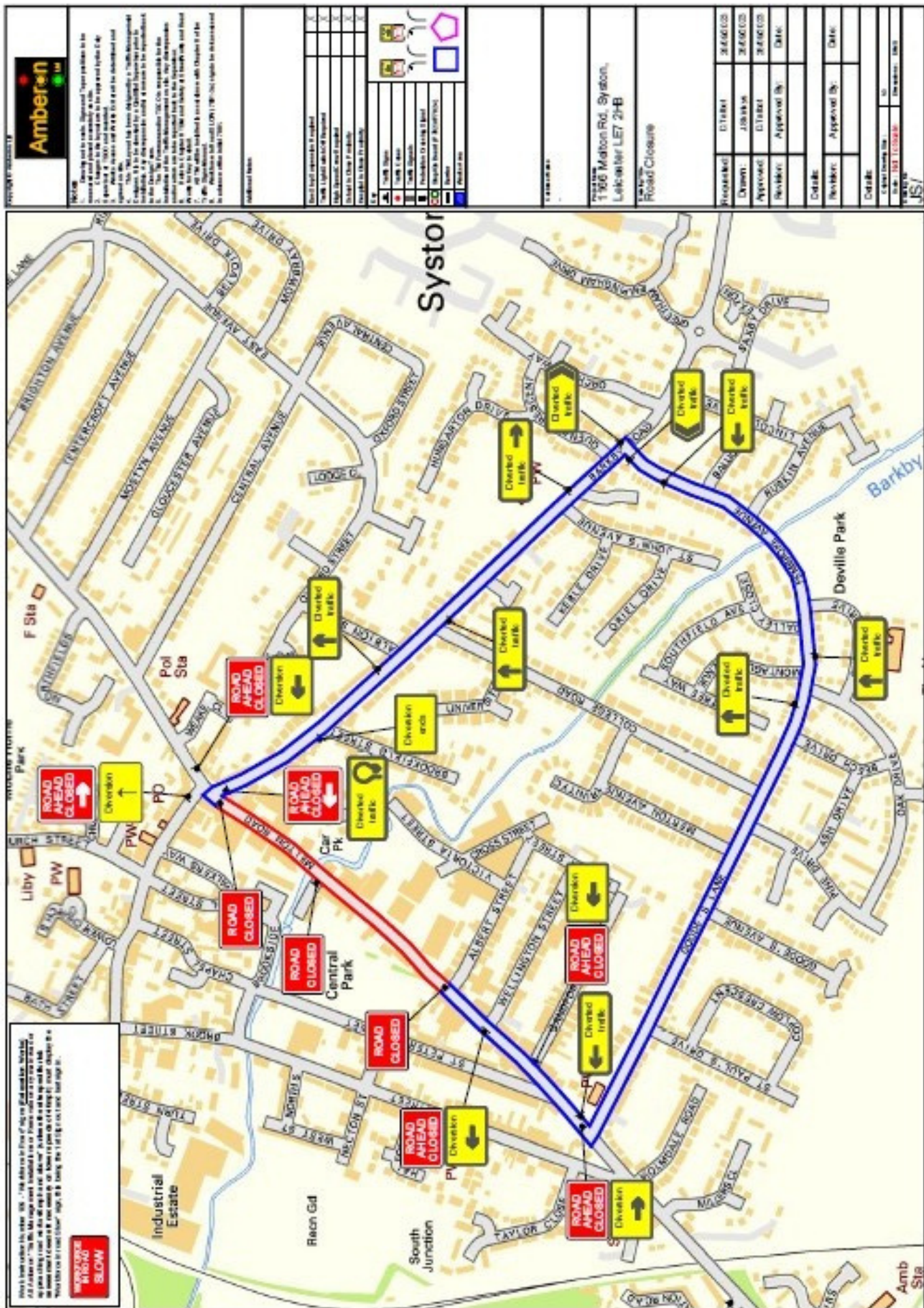
A Temporary Traffic Regulation Order (TTRO) is to be made for the following location:

Footpath L45, Syston (see weblink or QR code below). The purpose of the TTRO is to allow Network Rail safely undertake bridge inspection works.

The TTRO will incorporate a temporary footpath closure.

The duration of the restriction is not anticipated to exceed a period of 1 day, 09:00 till 15:00, commencing on the 13th November 2023.

Remembrance Sunday Road Closure



**SYSTONS
CHRISTMAS
FAYRE**

FOOD AND DRINK - MELTON ROAD CAR PARK
CRAFT AND GIFT STALLS AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE
SYSTON SHOPS OPEN FOR LATE NIGHT SHOPPING
STREET ENTERTAINMENT
SANTAS GROTTO
BILLY BATES FAIR RIDES
CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON
FIREWORK SPECTACULAR FINAL YEAR!

01 DECEMBER 4:00PM TILL 8:00PM

*FIREWORKS WILL TAKE PLACE FROM 8PM. PLEASE KEEP PETS INDOORS

A green circular badge with a serrated edge. The words "FREE ENTRY" are written in white capital letters along the top inner curve. A diagonal banner across the center also contains the words "FREE ENTRY" in white capital letters. The words "FREE ENTRY" are also written along the bottom inner curve. There are three small white stars in the center of the badge.

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Council Meetings

November 2023

Tuesday, 07 Development & GP
Tuesday, 14 Amenities
Tuesday, 21 Resources
Tuesday, 28 Full Council

December 2023

Tuesday, 05 Development & GP (7.00pm)
Tuesday, 05 Amenities (7.45pm)
Tuesday, 12 Resources
Tuesday, 19 Full Council

January 2024

Tuesday, 09 Development & GP (7.00pm)
Tuesday, 16 Amenities (7.45pm)
Tuesday, 23 Resources
Tuesday, 30 Full Council

February 2024

Tuesday, 06 Development & GP
Tuesday, 13 Amenities (7.45pm)
Tuesday, 20 Resources
Tuesday, 27 Full Council

Syston Flood Wardens

With the recent floods in Syston due to Storm Babet. We thought it would be helpful to provide residents with the contact details for Syston's flood wardens.

Ree and Maxwell can both be contacted on: 07927215477

Cllr Matt Davis and Estates Officer Neil Skinner are currently undergoing training for this role.

If you would like to volunteer to be a flood warden for Syston please contact mailbox@systontowncouncil.gov.uk





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NOTICE OF FOUR CASUAL VACANCIES

**IN THE OFFICE WARDS OF
MERTON (TWO), ST PETERS EAST (ONE) NEW
BARKBY (ONE)**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there are four casual vacancies amongst the members of Syston Town Council.

Any person wishing to fill any of these vacancies should apply to the Town Manager in writing. The applicant's name must appear on the current register of the Voters List, or the applicant should during the whole of the twelve months preceding 26 October 2023, have resided in the town; or hold their place of work within three miles of the town. The applicant must not be debarred from standing as a Councillor.

Closing Date for Applications is 1 December 2023.

Date: 26 October 2023.

Signed: *C. Voyce*
Designation: Town Manager

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