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YOUR COUNCIL

Stroud District Council is lead by the Green Party, following election to all 51 SDC seats in May 2024.

RULING ADMINISTRATION



Green Party

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Deputy Leader: Councillor Catherine Braun

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Welcome from the Chief Executive
Kathy O'Leary

Welcome to the 2026 edition of *SDC News*, which celebrates some of the milestones reached in the district this year.

The first of those is the Museum in the Park, which is marking its 25th anniversary and continues to provide world class temporary exhibitions alongside its fascinating permanent collection. The museum and its fabulous setting in Stratford Park is well worth a visit, and on a summer Sunday you can enjoy concerts in the park too – all completely free. If you are after a more active visit, Stratford Park is also home to Active Lifestyles Stroud and a morning parkrun on Saturdays.

Significant progress is being made on the delivery of new affordable housing in the district. As reported in last year's SDC News, new affordable homes are being built on brownfield sites across our area, with many set to welcome new residents this year. We are also making a £1.8m investment to improve Nouncells Cross in Stroud, which you can read about on page 10.

Work will soon begin on reinstating the 'missing mile' of the Stroudwater Navigation following a further grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund for our partnership Cotswold Canals Connected project. And Stroud Funding, our civic crowdfunding programme, has now reached the fantastic milestone of £500,000 invested in community projects, supporting a wide range of initiatives across the district.

Alongside the county council and other five districts in Gloucestershire, we are waiting for a Government decision this summer on which proposal for Local Government Reorganisation we will be required to implement. We expect to be running elections to the new shadow council(s) in May 2027 and for the new council(s) replacing us to be up and running in April 2028. If you'd like to be kept informed about this or other topics that matter to you, you can sign up to our email updates at stroud.gov.uk/emailalerts

Council staff raise over £2,000 for charity of the year

Council employees have raised £2,200 for their charity of the year Hope for Tomorrow through a range of fundraising events and challenges. Each year SDC staff and councillors vote for a local charity to support. The 2025/26 charity, Hope for Tomorrow brings vital cancer care closer to patients, by operating mobile cancer care units that enable them to spend more time with family and friends rather than travelling long distances to the county's main hospitals.

Some council staff got together to run the Stroud Half marathon as part of the fundraising efforts, at which Councillor Gill Thomas ran as a Womble collecting rubbish in her role as SDC Member Champion for Litter and Clean Environment.



Museum in the Park celebrates 25 years

2026 marks the 25th anniversary of the opening of Museum in the Park, and you are invited to help celebrate this special milestone.

The museum opened in 2001 in the 17th century wool merchant's mansion house that sits in Stratford Park, Stroud. It hosts a collection of more than 4,000 objects, telling the story of the people and landscape of the Stroud district, as well as contemporary art exhibitions, a walled garden, shop and café. Since it opened the museum has clocked up more than a million visits – an incredible achievement.

Earlier this year the Museum in the Park ran a '25 years in 25 days' social media series, sharing photographs from each year since it opened, offering a chance to look back at the exhibitions, events and people who have shaped the museum over the past quarter century.

Now, as part of the anniversary



celebrations, it is hosting a special display, and asking the community to contribute photos and memories.

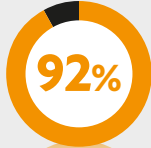
Do you have memories of the Museum or an object or photograph that helps tell its story?

It might be something you made in a workshop, bought in the gift shop, or a photograph of you in the museum or the park. You may even have a favourite memory of a visit or event that you'd be willing to write down and share.

If you have something to include in the 25th anniversary display, please contact museum@stroud.gov.uk

STROUD DISTRICT RATED HIGHLY AS PLACE TO LIVE

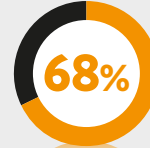
Our annual independent survey of residents shows that 66% of residents are satisfied with the way Stroud District Council runs things, 10% higher than the national average.



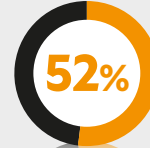
92% of residents are satisfied with their local area as a place to live (national average 74%)



66% of residents are satisfied with the way Stroud District Council runs things



68% of residents said they have trust in the council



52% agreed the council provides value for money

(National comparison figures from Local Government Association polling of resident satisfaction with councils round 39, October 2024 / SDC figures from 2025 survey)

Working together for a stronger community – our Council Plan

This newsletter and its sections follows the key themes of our Council Plan.

The Council Plan highlights the opportunities and challenges we face for our environment, communities, economy and housing, and informed by our priorities, sets out the actions we'll take.

Caring for the environment (pages 8 – 9)

Communities and wellbeing (pages 4 – 5)

Strengthening the local economy (pages 6 – 7)

Providing housing (page 10)

Working for our communities (pages 4 – 5)

If you'd like to explore the full plan and see how we're shaping a better future for everyone, you can read it here.

stroud.gov.uk/council-plan





Live music returns to Stratford Park

Music in the Park 2026 is now underway! These free, family-friendly events take place every Sunday from 2–4pm through September, filling the park with vibrant sounds ranging from award-winning brass bands to jazz and lively steel bands.

Bring a picnic, a blanket, and your love of music, and enjoy the 56-acre park in full swing. Refreshments are available at Stratford Park café in Active Lifestyles Stroud and at the Museum in the Park.



Highlights include:

JULY

12.07.26 Gloucester Brass Band
19.07.26 Cheltenham Silver Band

AUGUST

02.08.26 Cinderford Band
23.08.26 Dodington Parish Band

SEPTEMBER

06.09.26 Wotton Silver Band
27.09.26 Bren Jones Big Band

To view all the bands playing throughout summer, visit:
stroud.gov.uk/stratfordparkevents

Lottery grant to help finish final stretches of Stroudwater Canal project



THANK YOU TO THE VOLUNTEERS

Over the last four years, over 750 volunteers have worked on the restoration of the canal, providing a total of 93,600 volunteer hours.

The historic Stroudwater Canal has secured £6.46 million from The National Lottery Heritage Fund to restore key sections of the waterway, including the long-awaited “missing mile” beneath the M5, reconnecting it to the national canal network for the first time in more than 70 years.

Led by Stroud District Council and Cotswold Canals Trust, the project will create an accessible towpath linking Stroud, Gloucester and Sharpness, while boosting wildlife habitats, community spaces and opportunities for young people through volunteering and education programmes.

Taryn Nixon OBE, Chair of the Heritage Fund committee, said: “This project revives globally important heritage, connects nature, and brings lasting

benefits to local communities.” David Hagg, Chair of the Cotswold Canals Trust, added: “This funding brings us closer to restoring the final stretch and protecting the canal’s natural heritage for generations to come.”

The investment is expected to support tourism, local jobs and biodiversity ahead of the canal’s 250th anniversary in 2029. Total National Lottery funding for the wider restoration project now exceeds £16 million.

Young people helping improve GP services

The Stroud District Youth Council (SDYC) is restarting work to make local GP services more welcoming and accessible for young people.

Before Covid, young people helped review GP surgeries using youth-designed criteria focused on accessibility, comfort and communication. The project paused during the pandemic and will relaunch in 2026 with updates reflecting online systems and changing expectations around access to care.

The aim is to ensure young people’s voices continue to help shape local healthcare services. Find out more about SDYC at stroudyouthvoice.co.uk

Summer of Fun in the Park

Join us this August for a Summer of Fun in the Park, hosted by the Active Lifestyles team!

Taking place every Friday throughout August, there will be a fantastic programme of activities designed for families and individuals of all ages to enjoy. From structured sessions to relaxed activities, there’s something for everyone.

Activities will include a mix of free and paid options, making it easy to get involved and stay active this summer.

Stay safe around water this summer

Active Lifestyles Stroud District has launched its summer water safety campaign – “No Lifeguard, No Swim.”



Working in partnership with the Royal Life Saving Society (RLSS), we are raising awareness of how to stay safe in and around open water.

Whether you’re visiting the beach, canals, rivers, or lakes, it’s important to understand the risks and take simple steps to protect yourself and others.

We encourage everyone to follow the Water Safety Code and make safe choices this summer.

Find out more and learn how to stay safe: myactivelifestyles.co.uk/no-lifeguard-no-swim

INVESTING IN YOUR LOCAL GYMS

We’re delighted to share that we are investing in our leisure facilities across the district. Both Active Lifestyles Stroud and Active Lifestyles Dursley are set to benefit from much-needed gym refurbishments, including brand-new equipment and upgraded fitness spaces.

Stroud District Council is investing £760,000 as we recognise the importance of creating more opportunities for residents to improve their health and wellbeing.



NEW WAY TO REPORT SCAMS FOR GLOUCESTERSHIRE RESIDENTS

We’re proud to be a partner in Gloucestershire Against Scams Joint Agency Response – better known as ‘Glass Jar’ to help protect our communities from fraud and scams.

Visit the Glass Jar website for:

- updates on the latest scams and fraud trends
- practical advice on staying safe
- simple ways to report scams and get support
- educational tools and campaign materials

Fraud can affect anyone – but by working together, we can all help to ‘put a lid on fraud’ across our county. <https://cfcu.org.uk/glassjar>

SUPPORT AT THE TOUCH OF A BUTTON

Careline is a 24/7 personal alarm service from Stroud District Council, helping you stay safe and independent at home with support available at the push of a button.

Find out more and apply online via our website: stroud.gov.uk/careline



LUCKY SEVERN LOTTERY RAISES £40,000 FOR LOCAL CAUSES

Lucky Severn Lottery helps 99 local charities and not-for-profit organisations raise more than £48,000 each year, supporting good causes across the district.

Tickets cost just £1, with weekly prizes and a jackpot of up to £25,000 – an easy way to give back while being in with a chance to win.

For a chance to win visit: luckysevernlottery.co.uk



SUPPORTING VETERANS IN THE DISTRICT

We work closely with local veterans’ groups to ensure veterans across the district receive the support they need from the council.

We’re delighted to be hosting the county’s only Armed Forces Day event in Stratford Park, Stroud on Saturday 27 June from 10am–4.30pm. Everyone is welcome to the free, family fun day.

To find out more visit: stroud.gov.uk/veterans

REPORT IT TO SORT IT: ONE YEAR OF COMMUNITY ACTION

Stroud District Council’s “Report It to Sort It” function has had a successful first year, helping residents quickly report local issues and improve neighbourhoods across the district. Since launching in June 2025, more than 1,000 reports have been submitted, with around 900 already resolved.

Common concerns include noise complaints, graffiti and abandoned vehicles, with more than 500 reports of suspected abandoned vehicles. Residents can continue reporting issues via the council website, helping keep communities clean, safe and welcoming.

Visit stroud.gov.uk/report-it

Stratford Park Lake, which has undergone work to reduce ecological damage

Housing growth funds vital school, transport and community projects

Money from the 'Community Infrastructure Levy' (CIL) has been helping to fund a range of essential projects around the district. CIL is a charge applied to certain new housing developments, designed to fund essential infrastructure such as transport improvements, schools, health facilities, and community spaces. By reinvesting contributions from developers, we are able to deliver benefits that enhance quality of life for residents.

Recent approvals includes improvements at Merrywalks in Stroud, where new bus shelters are being installed and will soon feature Real Time Passenger Information

(RTPI) displays, enhancing accessibility and convenience for public transport users. Meanwhile, work has now finished on a new state-of-the-art 3G AstroTurf

pitch at Archway. Once complete, the facility will be available for community use outside school hours, supporting both grassroots sport and wider wellbeing. CIL funding has also contributed to successful community initiatives such as the Berkeley Books project and environmental projects such as changes to the drainage system at Stratford Park lake to reduce the ecological damage to the area caused by water run-off from surrounding roads.

Boosting our high streets across our market towns

Over the past two years, the Market Town Vitality Fund has been transforming high streets across our district. This one-off initiative invited towns. This one-off initiative invited towns to bring forward ideas that would boost footfall, strengthen local identity and support long-term vitality.

The results have been both varied and impactful. Wotton, Berkeley, Dursley, Cam and Stonehouse upgraded their festive Christmas lights to brighten the communities. In Minchinhampton, a new noticeboard and town map now help residents and visitors alike, alongside improved accessibility with a new ramp to the post office.

Nailsworth funded a new textile trail to celebrate the town's heritage, inviting people to explore its streets in a fresh way. Painswick has repurposed a traditional telephone box into a visitor information point, while Stroud is installing classic-style poster display units reminiscent of those found in European cities. Dursley has encouraged exploration through its "26 Things to Discover" campaign, highlighting local attractions



and hidden gems. Stroud & District Chamber of Trade and Commerce produced a series of colourful maps and guides for each market town to encourage micro-tourism (see photo).

Together, these projects demonstrate how targeted investment can spark pride, attract visitors and strengthen the future of our high streets.

NAILSWORTH'S ICONIC FOUNTAIN RESTORED

The historic Nailsworth Fountain, a Grade II listed Victorian drinking fountain erected in 1862 in memory of local solicitor William Smith, has been restored by specialist contractors on behalf of Stroud District Council.

KINGSHILL HOUSE SECURED

Stroud District Council has secured a new lease for Kingshill House and completed major repairs to its roof and collapsing bay window, ensuring the building's continued use.

TRY A NEW WALKING ROUTE ON OUR APP

Explore three new walking trails along the iconic Cotswold Way, now available on the free Discover Stroud Trails app (search your app store).

Each route includes fun facts, local tips for food and drink, activities, and nearby places to stay.



WONDERING IF YOU NEED PLANNING PERMISSION?

We have launched a new online form for planning pre-application advice and other service requests, making submissions quicker and easier. If you're wondering if you need planning permission, visit our website and search "planning advice" to access the service.

PROGRESS OF DISTRICT PLAN

The government has asked the council to prepare a new Local Plan, with work starting in October 2026. The 2021 review is still under examination and awaiting the inspectors' response. Find out more: stroud.gov.uk/localplan



Historic Goods Shed secured for Stroud Valleys Artspace

The future of the historic Brunel Goods Shed has been secured after its purchase by Stroud District Council.

The building, originally designed by renowned engineer Isambard Kingdom Brunel, has long been used by the arts organisation as a creative space. The site

was previously owned by Network Rail before being acquired by Stroud District Council.

The council has now sold the Goods Shed directly to Stroud Valleys Artspace at a discounted price, securing its long-term future as a venue for arts and cultural activity in the town.

£600,000 boost for rural communities

Rural communities across the Stroud district are seeing the benefits of major investment, with dozens of local projects receiving funding to improve facilities, support businesses and strengthen community life.

Funded through the Government's Rural England Prosperity Fund, around £620,000 was allocated between 2023 and 2026 to strengthen the rural economy, support small businesses and improve community facilities.

In total, around 60 projects have benefited, including upgrades to village halls, improvements to play areas and investment in greener energy. Grants of up to £20,000 have enabled the delivery of lasting improvements; from accessible toilets in Dursley to upgraded recreation spaces in Wotton-under-Edge and solar panels at a local animal sanctuary.



RECYCLE LIKE A PRO – help reduce waste

Recycling is one of the simplest ways we can all help reduce the amount of waste and protect the environment. By putting the right materials in the right bins, you can help ensure more items are recycled properly and turned into new products.

One area that often causes confusion is food and drink cartons. Following updated guidance, residents should now recycle items such as juice, soup and long-life milk cartons by putting them into their green wheelie bin or bag (along with plastics, glass and cans etc), not into their paper and card box. Remember to empty cartons and give them a quick rinse before placing them in your recycling container.

We have also just extended the items you can recycle in your green wheelie bin or bag to include toothpaste tubes and non-black plastic plant pots.

If you're ever unsure, help is available. The Waste Wizard on the council website lets you quickly search for

New guidance for food and drink cartons including Tetra Paks, toothpaste tubes and non-black plastic plant pots

Yes please

Batteries - 10 max
Vapes - 5 max
Place bags on top of your food waste bin - not inside the bin

No thank you

everyday items and find out which bin they belong in. There are also helpful guides and resources online to make recycling at home even easier.

By recycling like a pro and using the support available, you can play your part in reducing waste and protecting the environment.

Visit [stroud.gov.uk/bins](https://www.stroud.gov.uk/bins) to explore the tools and tips available.

Common sense on our beautiful commons

The commons across the Stroud district, including Selsley, Rodborough and Minchinhampton – are treasured open spaces enjoyed by walkers, dog owners and wildlife alike.

Last summer, pupils from Leonard Stanley Primary School helped launch the “Common Sense on the Commons” campaign with Stroud District Council. The children designed posters encouraging visitors to care for these shared spaces by taking litter home and respecting the natural environment. Some of the designs are now displayed around Selsley Common to help spread the message.



Skylarks, a declining species, particularly favour Selsley Common, where they nest on the ground.

During the nesting season (April–July) they are particularly vulnerable, so walkers and dog owners are asked to stick to footpaths and keep dogs on short leads to avoid disturbing nests.

Visitors should also be aware that cattle graze on several commons, including Minchinhampton and Selsley, at certain times of year. Grazing helps maintain these landscapes, so please give livestock space and keep dogs under control.

With a little common sense, we can all help keep our commons beautiful for everyone.

Garden waste service expands to reach every household in the Stroud district

Every household in the Stroud district can now access the council's garden waste collection service, following a fleet expansion that has enabled full district-wide coverage, including remote and rural areas that were previously unreachable.

The service already helps 18,000 households recycle their garden waste, but until recently some properties were unable to join because larger collection vehicles could not reach narrow roads.

To address this, the council has introduced a smaller vehicle alongside a new kerbside sack collection system designed specifically for locations with very limited access. Instead of the standard brown garden waste wheelie bins used elsewhere, these properties now use compostable sacks collected by a pickup-style vehicle, ensuring homes across the district can benefit from a convenient garden waste service.

For more information visit [stroud.gov.uk/gardenwaste](https://www.stroud.gov.uk/gardenwaste)

Quick checklist

- Enjoy the commons responsibly:
- ✓ Take litter home
 - ✓ Pick up dog poo and dispose
 - ✓ Keep dogs on leads where needed, and from 1 March to 31 July
 - ✓ Stick to footpaths during skylark nesting season (Apr–Jul)
 - ✓ Give grazing cattle plenty of space and drive slowly
 - ✓ Respect wildlife and habitats
 - ✓ No fires or BBQs

NEW ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGERS INSTALLED ACROSS SEVEN COUNCIL CAR PARKS

We have installed 24 electric vehicle (EV) charging bays at seven public car parks, delivered by Connected Kerb, jointly funded by the council and the government's On Street Residential ChargePoint Scheme. Each site includes at least two 7 kW chargers, which can deliver up to 30 miles of range per hour – ideal for overnight top-ups when the lowest charging rates are available. London Road in Stroud also features faster 22 kW chargers.

- Where you'll find the chargers:
- Marybrook Street Car Park, Berkeley – 2 bays
 - London Road Car Park, Stroud – 6 bays (includes 22 kW fast chargers)
 - Potters Pond Car Park, Wotton-under-Edge – 2 bays
 - May Lane Car Park, Dursley – 4 bays
 - Stonehouse Car Park, Stonehouse – 2 bays
 - Stamages Lane Car Park, Painswick – 4 bays
 - Newmarket Road Car Park, Nailsworth – 4 bays

WORKING TO PROTECT COMMONS AND BEECHWOODS

Stroud District Council has partnered with Cheltenham Borough Council, Tewkesbury Borough Council and Cotswold District Council to fund a National Trust Community Ranger. Rodborough Common is of international importance for its grassland rich in native species, and the aim of the ranger is to work with the community to protect and enhance the area, managing paths and access, monitoring and surveying the landscape and wildlife, and creating a dog ambassador community.

HELP WITH RISING ENERGY COSTS

Worried about rising energy bills? Contact the council-backed Warm and Well service for free advice on energy use, bills and fuel debt. They can arrange home visits and help you access grants for

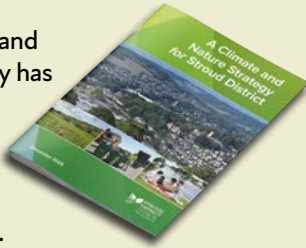
insulation, heating and renewables. Visit [warmandwell.co.uk](https://www.warmandwell.co.uk) or call 0800 500 3076.

COUNCIL AGREES NEW CLIMATE AND NATURE STRATEGY

A new Climate and Nature Strategy has been adopted following consultation with residents and businesses.

The strategy sets out how we will reduce the district's impact on climate and nature, while preparing for the effects of climate change already being experienced and expected in the future. It also aims to improve fairness, quality of life and create a better future for everyone in the district. The full strategy is available on the council website.

Our aim includes achieving net zero council emissions by 2030, supporting district-wide net zero by 2050, increasing land managed for nature recovery, and strengthening climate adaptation measures to protect residents, businesses and infrastructure.



Stroud District Council has already taken practical steps to build climate resilience. Over the past 12 years, the council has installed more than 1,200 natural flood management interventions across the Stroud Valleys. These features – from leaky dams to soil improvements and wetland creation – work quietly in the background during heavy rainfall, helping to slow water flow, reduce flood risk and create valuable habitats for wildlife. The programme continues to expand, increasing the resilience of rivers and streams across the district.

£1.8m housing improvements underway at Nouncells Cross



Work has started on a £1.8 million programme to improve council homes at Nouncells Cross in Stroud.

The project will upgrade 57 flats across two blocks, along with 14 nearby properties on Bisley Old Road. Improvements include new roofs, windows and entry systems, upgraded lighting, resurfaced outdoor areas, CCTV and refreshed communal spaces.

Gary Luff, Chair of SDC's Housing Committee, said: "This project represents a significant investment in our

housing. Our Council Plan commits to providing good quality, safe and fit for purpose council homes, ensuring tenants can live well. These improvements will also boost energy efficiency, helping to cut carbon emissions and reduce energy bills."

Resident feedback helped shape the plans, with additional features such as new bin stores and improved drying areas included to support lower energy costs. The work is expected to be completed this autumn. Once finished, the homes will be safer, more energy efficient and more comfortable for residents, while also helping to reduce carbon emissions.

£10m extra allocated to acquire more affordable homes in the district

The council has allocated a further £10 million to create a £15m budget for acquiring properties that can be used for affordable rent and shared ownership in the district.

Known as Section 106 properties, these below market value affordable homes can be purchased by the council from developers to help ease the waiting list for council homes.

Using Section 106 planning agreements, which require developers to provide affordable housing as part of new

developments, these homes can be purchased by the council below market value to help ease the waiting lists on the housing register.

Thirty four properties have been purchased under this scheme so far in Kingswood, Dursley and Cam, and negotiations are progressing for others across the district.



Stay election-ready: Update your voter information

Although there are no scheduled elections in 2026, maintaining accurate electoral records is essential. Registration ensures residents are able to take part in future elections and receive important information – it also supports your credit score. Shadow elections to the new Gloucestershire authority/authorities (see LGR article on this page) are likely to take place in 2027.

Postal vote changes

Recent changes in legislation mean that postal voters are now required to reapply every three years to retain their postal vote. As part of this process, a reminder was issued to affected voters and thousands of postal votes were cancelled in January where reapplications had not been received.

Residents who vote by post or proxy are encouraged to check their status and reapply if necessary to avoid losing their absent vote arrangements.



Improving communications

We are also looking to improve how we communicate with residents by collecting up-to-date phone numbers and email addresses for the electoral register.

Providing these details using

the QR code above, will help reduce the number of letters sent, improve communication speed, and lower administrative costs.

For more details visit stroud.gov.uk/elections

Local Government Reorganisation

From 2027, councils in Gloucestershire may change as part of government plans to simplify local government and give more power to local areas. Proposals for either one or two unitary authorities have been submitted, and we are waiting for the government's decision this summer. Find out more and stay updated at futuregloucestershire.org.uk

Stroud's new art bus hits the road

A new sustainable travel campaign featured three brightly painted buses designed by local illustrator Isabella Fay. Inspired by Stroud Farmers' Market, the artwork appeared on buses travelling through Cheltenham, Gloucester and Stroud. The project follows the council's 2025 rail poster campaign displayed at stations including London Paddington Station. Council Tourism Officer Amy Helliwell said the campaign promotes greener travel, supports the local economy and celebrates local creativity. Fay described seeing her artwork on buses and posters as surreal and said she was proud to represent her home district through art.

You can find more of Isabella's artwork by visiting: isabellafayarts.com



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Visit: stroud.gov.uk/my-account

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To make our website more accessible and inclusive we have introduced Recite Me for all users. The tool offers features like text-to-speech, translation into 100+ languages, and adjustable fonts and colours.

It supports people with disabilities, visual impairments, learning difficulties, and those who don't speak English as a first language. You can access easily via the "Accessibility Tools" option on the website.

Your opinion matters

All consultations are on our website, including information on petitions and how you can have your say in other ways. Share your thoughts on car parking, planning and more.

stroud.gov.uk/consultations



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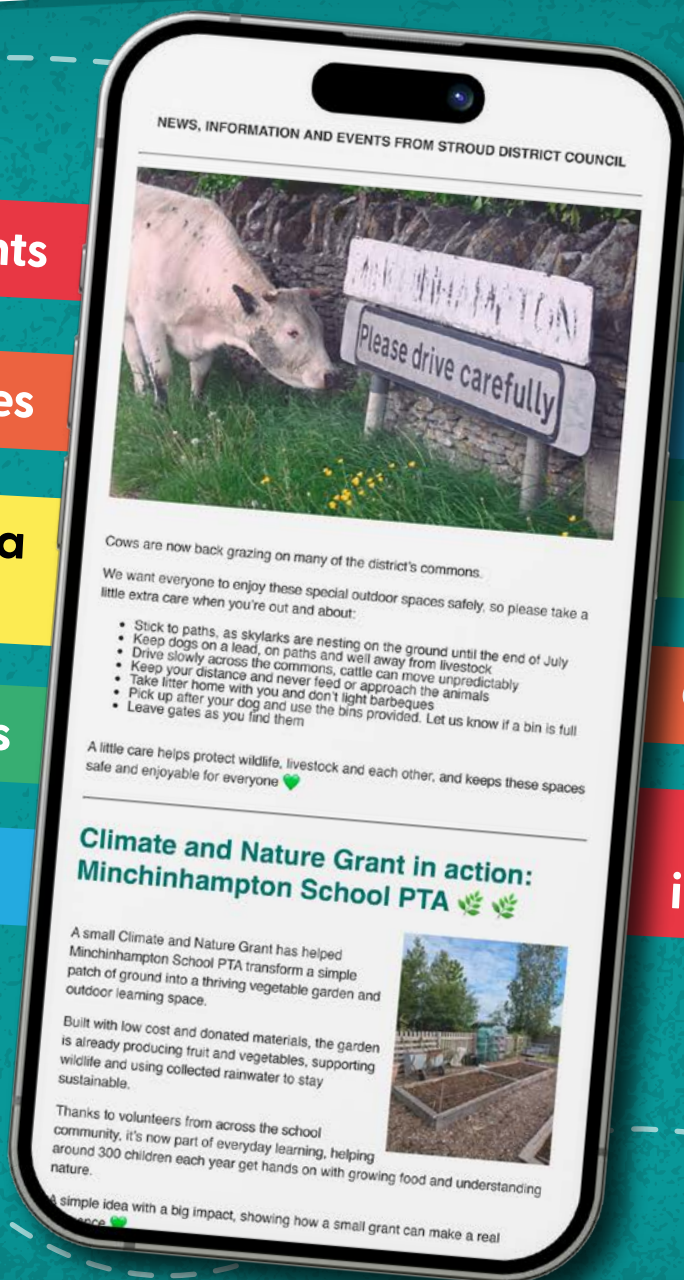
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