



# Your Voice Extra Woodside

January 2015

## Community Pride Fund

**The Community Pride Fund is a £1.25 million scheme to help regenerate Telford and Wrekin. Businesses and groups applied for funding for a variety of different projects.**

Two great Woodside projects will be taking place with help of this funding.

Families in Telford is a group that holds regular sessions for parents, carers and children under five. The grant will help build more learning facilities for those involved. This will bring in more equipment, storage containers, mats and beanbags and an update to facilities will mean cooking and modelling can be done. For adults, there will be new book loan schemes and support learning which parents can make the most of while children are busy playing.

One of the biggest projects that Community Pride is funding is a £100,000 grant for the Park Lane Centre. This will help fund a playbarn for children up to 8 years, with two separate areas for different ages. The kitchen will also be renovated so



**Councillors Kevin Guy and Shaun Davies look at the new playbarn plans for the Park Lane Centre**

that the playbarn cafe can serve all residents cheap healthy meals every day of the week.

Find out more at [www.telford.gov.uk/woodsidepride](http://www.telford.gov.uk/woodsidepride)

## Junior Street Champions



The Woodside Junior Youth Club took part in a litter pick around the main Park Lane and shopping centre. The young people involved enjoyed taking part in an activity that benefitted the area and now have plans to litter pick every term.

To find out more visit [www.telford.gov.uk/streetchampions](http://www.telford.gov.uk/streetchampions)





## Telford Job Junction Sessions

### Job Box growing services as unemployment figures drop AGAIN!

Over the last year, the council has been committed to reducing youth unemployment in the borough. Through schemes such as Job Box and Young Telford, numbers of those claiming Job Seekers Allowance has fallen by a third.



Telford Job Box isn't just for 16-24 year olds; there are a range of services, education and employment support as well as 'Job Junctions' which offer help and advice to anyone in the borough seeking work and training. The scheme has also just launched 'Young Telford' which helps young people to start a business and provide everything needed to start and grow a self-employed career.

Your Job Junction takes place at...  
Park Lane Centre, Park Lane, Woodside TF7 5QZ  
every Thursday 9.30am – 11.30am

More information can be found at  
[www.telfordjobbox.co.uk](http://www.telfordjobbox.co.uk)  
or email: [telfordjobbox@telford.gov.uk](mailto:telfordjobbox@telford.gov.uk)

## Improvements to Waltondale Fencing

The condition of the fencing in Waltondale was raised as a priority issue as part of the Pride in Your Community programme.

Teams have been on site replacing



the old fence with new metal fencing. The new fencing is a big improvement from the broken fencing that previously existed.

## Woodside Working to Win



Woodside residents have come together to start up a new group to look at key problems and challenges.

Residents, community groups, faith groups, councillors, local schools, police, health services and others made up the 'Woodside Working to Win' group.

They highlighted issues like unemployment, raising aspirations and tackling substance and alcohol misuse. The group want to celebrate all good things that go on in Woodside and are working with the Woodside Events Group.

The Woodside Events Group arrange and run a number of events each year including Spring, Summer and Frost fayres, entertainment evenings, discos for kids and this year held a commemoration of the Great War.

To get involved in the Woodside Working to Win partnership please contact: Fiona Moore  
email [fiona.moore@telford.gov.uk](mailto:fiona.moore@telford.gov.uk)  
or call: **01952 382186**

## Friends of Rough Park



**Friends of Rough Park is a group which formed to look after the interests of Woodside. One completed project was making improvements to one of the main footpaths to create a path suitable for pushchairs and wheelchairs.**

The Friends received help from Severn Gorge Countryside Trust, Telford Green Spaces partnership groups, Madeley Town Council and the Community Payback Team. Their next idea is to develop a space that the whole family can enjoy, creating a purpose built-track for BMX bikes and scooters and a family picnic area.

The Friends will receive funding from the Ward Co-operative fund to make improvements to the footpaths and to insert steps on the steep slope in the park.

For more information and to get involved:  
email [friendsroughpark@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:friendsroughpark@hotmail.co.uk)  
Facebook: **Friends of Rough Park Community**

## Woodside Improvements Open Community Consultation

Part of the Pride in Your Community programme will be to work with residents who live in Willowfield and Wantage in the north of Woodside and residents from Waverley, Wellsfield, Wigmores, Woodcroft, Wayside and Waltondale in the south.

Residents are invited to drop-in to the consultation where you will be able to gather your views and ideas for possible environmental, highway or social improvements and have your say on the regeneration in the area.

This drop-in session will be a great opportunity to put forward your views and have your say on the future regeneration in your area. We welcome all residents along to drop-in on **Friday 30 January** between 12noon and 8pm at the **Park Lane Centre**.

## Repairs to Weybridge

A project has been delivered to repair and improve a wall in Weybridge including replacing and installing new handrails to the nearby steps. The problem was raised by residents on social media and from this feedback the project was delivered through the Pride in Your Community programme.



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# Neighbourhood SNOW wardens

Could you be one?

**Telford & Wrekin Council has been busy recruiting a growing army of volunteers to help keep roads and pathways clear if and when the bad weather hits this winter.**

The Council already has 150 snow wardens and is looking to recruit a further 100 in the next year. Existing snow wardens are across the borough to ensure an even geographic spread and so that no areas get neglected.

Snow wardens clear and salt areas close to where they live that they identify as needing attention.

As a snow warden, they receive a high visibility vest, a pair of gloves, a snow shovel, a supply of salt and guidance on how to clear snow safely.

They cannot use the council's salt on private land, only the public highway.

## To sign up...

Use the **FREE Everyday Telford App**  
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email [snowwardens@telford.gov.uk](mailto:snowwardens@telford.gov.uk)  
or call **01952 384384**

# We're Watching You!!



Thoughtless dog owners

**A new campaign has set its sights on irresponsible dog owners after recent research showed that dog walkers are more likely to pick up after their dogs, when they think that they are being watched.**

Keep Britain Tidy recently carried out an experiment where dog walkers had 'eyes' on them at all times and that saw a reduction of 46% in the levels of dog fouling. Dog fouling is more common in the evenings and during the winter months, as some dog owners feel they can't be seen 'under the cover of darkness'.

In Telford and Wrekin, the council is working closely with Police Community Support Officers to increase patrols in areas where there are lots of reports of dog fouling.

We are giving away free poop scoop bags which can be picked up from Madeley Library.

So there's no excuse for not picking up after your dog.

## Thank you for your interest

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