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**Community Governance Review – Newhall and Stanton**

Following a meeting of Full Council on January 21, 2016, a legal process to establish whether or not a parish council will be created in South Derbyshire has commenced.

A Community Governance Review will determine whether or not a parish council will be formed for the area of Newhall and Stanton following consultation with local residents and any other interested person or body.

The review comes following the submission of a petition from the Newhall and Stanton Parish Council Campaign Group, which called for the creation of a parish council.

Any decisions will be made by Full Council following consideration of representations received. The final decision is expected during September 2016.

An initial consultation period is now open and will end on March 13, 2016. Anyone wishing to have their say or raise any further queries should email [cgreview@south-derbys.gov.uk](mailto:cgreview@south-derbys.gov.uk)

Alternatively, people may write to South Derbyshire District Council, Legal and Democratic Services Section, Community Governance Review, Civic Offices, Civic Way, Swadlincote, Derbyshire DE11 0AH.

Further information about the review is available on the Council's website at [www.south-derbys.gov.uk/communitygovernance](http://www.south-derbys.gov.uk/communitygovernance)

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**PHOTOGRAPH OPPORTUNITY: 11.30am on Wednesday, February 24 at Oakland Village,  
Hall Farm Road, Swadlincote**

**Drive for a 'Dementia Friendly Community' gathers pace**

Representatives from across the private, public and voluntary sectors are being invited to put forward their ideas to help South Derbyshire become a 'Dementia Friendly Community.'

A national programme co-ordinated by the Alzheimer's Society, becoming a Dementia Friendly Community means putting in place strategies that improves inclusion and quality of life for those living with dementia, their families, friends and carers.

The process involves first establishing a 'Dementia Action Alliance' which will bring together ideas and help set out how the status will be achieved – and a launch event at Swadlincote's Oakland Village this month will do exactly that.

The scheme was initiated by community groups including Swadlincote Town Team and South Derbyshire CVS as well as local businesses such as Timms Solicitors, and is being supported by both South Derbyshire District Council and Derbyshire County Council.

Cllr Gill Farrington, the District Council's older people champion, said: "Dementia is a condition which affects so many lives and, with those aged 75-plus living in the District expected to increase by 100 per cent by 2031, it is essential that we do all we can to make sure we are properly catering for their needs."

The launch event runs from 10am to 2pm on Wednesday, February 24, and those from local businesses and other organisations are invited to both find out more about the scheme and establish how they can get involved.

In the morning Gill Collins, from the Alzheimer's Society, will give a presentation and there will be guest speakers from those who have instigated the Dementia Friendly Community bid.

After lunch, which will be provided for those staying all day, there will be the opportunity to take part in a short 'Dementia Friends' awareness session.

Darren Perry, who works for Timms Solicitors and is based in Swadlincote, is a 'Dementia Champion' and provides awareness sessions to others. He said: "We all know someone who has been affected by dementia so we thought it was only right that we do all we can to improve the quality of life for those people.

"The Alzheimer's Society's Dementia Friends programme is the biggest ever initiative to change people's perceptions of dementia, and we hope as many people as possible turn up to the launch event so that we can start to shape exactly what a Dementia Friendly Community in South Derbyshire might look like."

Derbyshire County Council's Cabinet Member for Health and Communities Cllr Dave Allen said: "We're pleased to be able to support the creation of a Dementia Friendly Community in Swadlincote.

"Dementia impacts on so many people and their families and anything that helps improve the quality of their lives is very welcome."

Gill Collins, Dementia Action Alliance Co-ordinator for the East Midlands, said: "It's vital that people living with dementia should still be able to enjoy all South Derbyshire has to offer.

"Many people with dementia have reported feeling trapped in their own homes and let down by their communities, with one in three only getting out once a week and one in 10 only once a month. This is simply unacceptable.

"The Dementia Action Alliance aims to address the isolation that many people living with dementia can feel and we are delighted to see so many of South Derbyshire's organisations committing to helping people in the community live well with dementia."

Booking for the launch event is essential by emailing Jamie Dix, Public Health Development Worker for South Derbyshire, on [jamie.dix@derbyshire.gov.uk](mailto:jamie.dix@derbyshire.gov.uk)

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**Two new sessions to get adults exercising**

Two more sessions designed to put adults back in touch with their sporty side have been announced.

The Active Adults programme, aimed at those aged 60 and above, is already running at Etwall Leisure Centre every Friday between 7am and 8.30am.

From February 24, sessions will run between 10am and 11am each Wednesday at St Matthew's Church Centre in Woodville Road, Overseal, and from 2pm to 3.30pm on the same day at Goseley Community Centre in Hartshill Road, Hartshorne.

Organised by South Derbyshire Village Games, activities will include table tennis, new age kurling, short mat bowls and boccia, with all equipment provided.

Cllr Jim Hewlett, Chairman of the Housing and Community Services Committee at South Derbyshire District Council, said: "The activities are designed to help increase fitness, mobility and co-ordination in a social and no-pressure environment so absolutely everyone of any ability is welcome.

"We'd urge people to come along and try something new. The activities are low impact and can also be done while seated."

The Hartshorne and Overseal sessions costs £2, though the first one is free and tea and coffee will be provided. There is no need to book.

Other sports and activities to the ones planned can be arranged if there is suitable demand.

More information is available by calling Lee English on 01283 228752 or emailing [lee@villagegames.org.uk](mailto:lee@villagegames.org.uk)

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**New date for South Derbyshire Day celebrations**

South Derbyshire Day celebrations have been put back 24 hours due to a change to the Football League Championship fixture list.

The sixth annual celebration of South Derbyshire and the contribution made by its volunteers will now take place at the home of promotion-chasing Derby County Football Club on Wednesday, February 24.

Discounted tickets to watch the Rams' clash with Blackburn Rovers are on offer as part of the day, when those who freely give up their time will be recognised both in the matchday programme and during the game, out on the iPro Stadium pitch.

Derby have ambitions of securing promotion to the Premier League this season and will be hoping to take all three points by defeating their Lancashire opponents in a game which kicks off at 7.45pm.

Those living and working in South Derbyshire can purchase tickets priced £17.50 for adults, £12.50 for over-65s, £9 for under-18s and £5.50 for those aged under 12 by visiting Swadlincote Tourist Information Centre, based at Sharpe's Pottery Museum, in West Street, or by calling 01283 222848.

These specially priced tickets are not available direct from Derby County and cannot be bought on the day of the game.

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**Your views sought on 'key' future vision document**

A public consultation on proposals for the development of sporting and recreational facilities to satisfy one of the fastest-growing districts in the country has been launched.

The draft Open Space, Sport and Community Facility Strategy, a document that will set out a vision of how those living in South Derbyshire might be catered for up to 2028, is now available to view on South Derbyshire District Council's website.

As well as seeking people's opinions, the Council wants details of any projects being planned by community groups, parish councils, schools, sports clubs and other organisations as some could be eligible for funding through the strategy.

Such projects could include children's play provision, green space improvements, new games areas, nature areas, changing areas, village halls or community buildings.

Cllr Jim Hewlett, Chairman of Housing and Community Services at the District Council, said: "We know that the population of South Derbyshire is growing and ageing rapidly, so the Open Space, Sport and Community Facility Strategy is vital in spelling out how we will cope with that in terms of open spaces, recreational and sporting provision.

"It really is a key document and we are very keen for members of the public to tell us exactly what they want to see in South Derbyshire over the next decade and beyond.

"It's important that we get this right by working together, for the good of the whole community."

The consultation period has now begun and will run until Friday, February 26.

People can read the strategy document, submit comments and enter details of their projects online at [www.south-derbys.gov.uk](http://www.south-derbys.gov.uk) or write to Zoe Sewter, Open Space and Facilities Development Manager, South Derbyshire District Council, Civic Offices, Civic Way, Swadlincote, Derbyshire DE11 0AH. Alternatively, Zoe can be emailed on [zoe.sewter@south-derbys.gov.uk](mailto:zoe.sewter@south-derbys.gov.uk)

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**Women's Day celebrations in South Derbyshire**

South Derbyshire's International Women's Day 2016 celebrations will be compered by District MP Heather Wheeler, it has been announced.

Organised by the South Derbyshire Domestic and Sexual Abuse Action Group, it will be the third time the event has been held in the area and members of the public are invited to attend.

It takes place between noon and 3pm on Friday, March 4 at Oakland Village, in Hall Farm Road, Swadlincote, where local service information stalls will be set up and a free buffet lunch will be on offer.

Inspirational speakers, who will take part in a question-and-answer session, have also been lined up to attend and include South Derbyshire police inspector Kate Bateman and Great Britain basketball star Emma Pass.

Chris Smith, Chairman of the South Derbyshire Domestic and Sexual Abuse Action Group, said: "International Women's Day is a global celebration of the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women and this year the theme is raising awareness of gender parity.

"We have some really inspirational women here in South Derbyshire and we warmly invite people to come along on March 4 to hear some of them speak."

Among the stalls on the day will be ones hosted by Burton and South Derbyshire College, Burton Albion Ladies Football Club, the Swadlincote and District Chamber of Trade, Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service and Derbyshire Police, as well as ones promoting health services , sports, recreation, education and training opportunities in South Derbyshire.

The event is free to attend.

More information is available by calling Chris Smith on 01283 595924 or emailing [chris.smith@south-derbys.gov.uk](mailto:chris.smith@south-derbys.gov.uk)

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**People of South Derbyshire to walk and run themselves proud for Sport Relief**

The Sainsbury's Sport Relief Mile is back – and it's coming to Swadlincote.

The town is set to host its fifth Sainsbury's Sport Relief Mile on Sunday, March 20 and is urging people to sign up to take part at [www.sportrelief.com](http://www.sportrelief.com)

Eager runners, joggers and walkers will be doing their bit to raise cash to make a difference to those living across the UK and in the world's poorest communities by tackling a picturesque course.

Set in Swadlincote Woodlands, there will be three start times – 10.30am for those taking on a six-mile challenge, 10.45am for the three and one-mile runners and an additional 11am start for one-milers.

The route will take in some attractive scenery and wildlife and will be one of thousands of similar events taking place all around the country.

It is suitable for pushchairs and wheelchairs, with only one steep uphill section, and on-site toilets will be available.

Emma Pass, Community Sports Activation Officer at South Derbyshire District Council, said: "The Sainsbury's Sport Relief Mile in Swadlincote is here and it's your chance to get involved for a great cause.

"From little ones with their mums and dads to runners and wheelchair users up against the clock, there's something for everyone to make themselves feel proud on this special day."



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**Samba flavour as wheels set in motion for Festival of Leisure**

South Derbyshire District Council is on the lookout for those wishing to play their part in an annual event which attracts around 10,000 people.

The 2016 Festival of Leisure will take place at Church Gresley's Maurice Lea Memorial Park from 1pm to 5pm on Saturday and Sunday, June 25 and 26.

Sealed bids for the exclusive provision of hot food, ice cream and inflatables are now being welcomed by organisers, who have revealed that the hotly anticipated event will this year have a 'Rio Carnival' theme to tie in with the Olympic Games host city in Brazil.

General exhibitor and fairground application forms will be available in the coming weeks.

During the weekend there will be the usual blend of high-velocity arena entertainment and a wide range of sports sessions, children's activities, sideshows and entertainment.

Cllr Bob Wheeler, Leader of the District Council, said: "The Festival of Leisure is a tremendous occasion, pulling the whole community of South Derbyshire together and showcasing our beautiful District to visitors.

"We look forward to revealing further details of what is sure to be an impressive programme of entertainment nearer to the time."

Anyone wanting more information or an application pack can call Julia Dowding on 01283 595846 or email [julia.dowding@south-derbys.gov.uk](mailto:julia.dowding@south-derbys.gov.uk)

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