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BEST IN SNOW

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Leader's Welcome

First a big 'Thank you'. You have given us very favourable feedback to The VoiCE and I hope you continue to enjoy this publication from your local council.

Thanks to the glorious weather our parks are a blaze of colour and

the prolonged fine spell in June has brought tourists to the borough in large numbers.

It is the season for shows – The Royal Cheshire County Show, RHS Flower Show at Tatton and Nantwich Show – and our hoteliers continue to report strong business performance, on a par with Chester, Liverpool and York.

We are blessed with outstanding tourist attractions, and who knows, we may soon have a Unesco world heritage site in the shape of Jodrell Bank and its magnificent Lovell Telescope – a popular tourist and educational hub plus an iconic landmark.

More than £200m of new road schemes have taken a further step forward. Dualling the A500, the Congleton Link Road and Middlewich Eastern Bypass are all progressing to plan.

With new roads come new homes. The country needs them and this council is delivering – including affordable homes to help young people onto the housing ladder. We have exceeded our affordable homes target by 31%.

Despite an increased demand on services and reduced grant funding, your council remains in a strong, healthy financial position and continues to deliver much-needed services within a challenging budgetary position.

I hope you all have a really happy and healthy summer.

Councillor Rachel Bailey,
Leader of Cheshire East Council

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Making reading exciting and fun!

The annual summer reading challenge, organised by the Reading Agency and local libraries, launched on Saturday 7 July. Last year a fantastic 6,825 children and young people took part across the borough and we're hoping for even more young participants this time round.

This year's reading challenge theme is 'Mischief Makers', to tie in with and to celebrate the 80th anniversary of The Beano. Children can choose between a wide range of books or audio books, and even access them online.

Taking part is really easy. Sign your children up at your local library and get them to read six library books of their choice to complete the challenge. There are exclusive rewards to collect along the way and it's FREE to take part! Everyone who completes the challenge will also receive a medal and a certificate.

For more information go to:
cheshireeast.gov.uk/libraries or
summerreadingchallenge.org.uk



£2m fund approved to improve local communities

The council approved New Homes Bonus community fund provides funding that will assist communities where new housing developments have been built.

The fund will empower local communities to engage in delivering specific projects, giving

people a voice in determining schemes that can shape their environment. This could be almost anything from a youth scheme to a highways project or community hub.

The fund, which will provide a total of £2m up to 2020, will give local communities an opportunity to present ideas for projects to ward members and town and parish councils for consideration. The best ideas come to Cheshire East Council for approval.

Crackdown on anti-social behaviour

Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPOs) were introduced by government to give local authorities more powers to take action on public land and any private land, which is open to members of the public.

If you feel you are the victim of anti-social behaviour, or if you know of someone who

is suffering anti-social behaviour, contact Cheshire police by calling **101** or, in an emergency, **999**. If you wish to discuss any concerns about anti-social behaviour with the council, email the anti-social behaviour team at: safer@cheshireeast.gov.uk or phone **0300 123 5030**.

More information about PSPOs can be found on our website.

Registration Service simply the best

Congratulations to our Cheshire East Registration Service on winning Best ceremony provider at the County Brides

North West Wedding Awards 2018. Visit our dedicated ceremony website 'Your Ceremony Your Choice' at: yourceremony.org.uk for further information on fabulous venues in Cheshire East, if you're thinking of planning your special day.

Health and wellbeing boost approved

A £6m fund to help boost local health outcomes in Cheshire East has been approved. Nine schemes will benefit from the fund, covering areas such as ensuring there is continued provision of care after a service user returns from hospital, better Bank Holiday and weekend support and increased capacity and an improved range of specialist beds.

The 'improved better care fund' will directly support three key care areas:

- Meeting adult social care needs
- Reducing pressures on the NHS, in particular focusing on the reduction of delayed transfers of care
- Ensuring that local social care providers are fully supported.



MENNA FITZPATRICK

A Paralympian gold medallist and newly honoured by the Queen, Macclesfield's Menna Fitzpatrick MBE has packed a lot into her first 20 years.

Supported by her guide, Jennifer Kehoe, Menna, who has just 5% vision, won four medals at this year's Winter Paralympics in South Korea, including gold in the slalom on the final day of the Games.

And then, as if that wasn't enough for one year, she received the news that she was to be honoured by the Queen for becoming Britain's most decorated Winter Paralympian in Pyeongchang.

"I had a very positive experience at school"

To top off a fantastic start to 2018 we also awarded Menna freedom of the borough. The determination that Menna has shown to realise her goals has been heavily influenced by her parents, who were both keen sportspeople. Her mother represented Wales at badminton while her father is a cyclist and squash player.

Being born into that strong sporting background and having such incredible courage in her own convictions, has undoubtedly helped guide Menna to get to where she is today.

But she is also very happy to point out how the council's special educational needs and disabilities team helped to support her education.

"I was the first child at school to have a visual impairment and so they had to completely adapt to my requirements, said Menna. Other young children are using the equipment that was first developed for me back then so the things that were used then, have been adapted and are still being used now! I learnt braille at Prestbury fairly quickly too, so I had a great start. I had a very positive experience at school.

"I had strong support from the council's hearing and visual impairment services team during my secondary education at Fallibroome Academy and the school understood where my strengths were and helped me to realise my educational goals."

Menna remembers saying at primary school that 'she wanted to be a Paralympic skier'. There can be no doubt that she has managed to go far beyond achieving that very tough goal.

livewell Cheshire East

Have you visited our new online resource yet? Launched in 2017, Live Well Cheshire East provides information and advice on a range of services across Cheshire East, giving you greater choice and control to support you and your family.

This easy to use directory of more than 3,000 services has already won many accolades from the public sector, communities and individuals.

Please have a look at our site:

www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/livewell

You can use Live Well Cheshire East to find information and advice on subjects such as:

- Health matters
- Community activities
- Care and support for adults
- Care and support for children
- Living independently
- Education, employment and money matters
- Looking after someone
- Local offer for Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND)
- Staying safe.

You can also send us feedback about the directory and suggest services to be included. We look forward to hearing from you!

Communities celebrate 'getting better connected'



The United Reformed Church in Wilmslow is the 10th venue to be recognised as a 'Connected communities' Centre, offering a range of services and a welcoming place for everyone.

Connected Communities are places where people and community organisations come together to provide mutual help and support. They are strengthening our community, reducing social isolation and improving health outcomes.

With plans for more than 30 centres across the borough by the end of this year, the benefits of the first 10 centres are starting to show and great things are already happening across the borough as more people get involved.

Connected Communities events have already seen:

- A fantastic 'Silver Pride' event at Belong Village, Crewe
- Volunteers learning new skills, getting qualifications and being recognised for their contribution – Hazel Cussons, a volunteer at The Welcome Café, Longridge, Knutsford, was recently given a community volunteer award at Knutsford's annual town awards ceremony
- Around 60 community 'self-care' champions trained to encourage residents to take positive measures to improve their health and wellbeing
- Students from South Cheshire College securing work placements in a range of roles at Belong Village, Crewe.

For more information on Connected Communities centres near you, please visit our website and search 'connected communities' or telephone the Communities Team on **01270 685880**.

KEEPING YOU MOVING WITH THREE KEY ROAD SCHEMES



Road users, commuters and businesses can look forward to more than £200m of new highways infrastructure to help keep the Cheshire East economy in the fast lane.

The proposed Congleton Link Road, Middlewich Eastern Bypass and the dualling of the A500 between Crewe and Junction 16 of the M6 motorway have all taken a further step forward.

All three schemes are expected to be delivered over the next three to four years, easing serious congestion points and giving the borough's buoyant economy another big boost.

We can now press on with land acquisitions for the 3.5-mile Congleton Link Road, which will unlock housing and employment sites, while removing heavy through traffic from the town centre.

The proposed Middlewich Eastern Bypass is destined to deliver 1,950 new homes and 6,500 new jobs through land-release and the dualling of the A500 will remove a major pinch-point at Junction 16, improve connectivity and ensure a smooth passage for HS2 construction traffic.

In addition, work to transform the Crewe Green Roundabout is progressing well, soon to be followed by the Sydney Road Bridge project.

In the north of the borough, the Poynton Relief Road is still on track and residents and businesses have been taking part in a major consultation around the next phase of the South East Manchester Multi Modal Strategy as well as the Cheshire East Local Transport Plan.

In the last four years, we have invested £35m to maintain our highways network and will continue to invest in our roads to make them safe.

Our highways team repairs an average of 150 road defects per day. This includes potholes and resurfacing work of up to 300 square metres. A lot of this work takes place in the summer when the weather is drier.

We know that residents are concerned about the number of potholes appearing on our roads and our highways service is working throughout the borough to address the problem.

We will also be asking you for your thoughts, via a consultation, on how we maintain your road network going forward. That discussion will include consideration of routes that are of importance to the emergency services and routes that serve nationally and regionally critical infrastructure – a very important topic for discussion with the arrival of HS2.

LET'S GO GREEN!



We'd like to start by saying 'thank you' for recycling your waste in our silver bin scheme.

With your help, our latest figures show together we've recycled more than 55% of waste – only a decade ago that figure was less than 17%, so we're currently performing more efficiently than 350 other councils across the country.

The big change for Cheshire East this year is the way we dispose of your black bin waste, bringing to an end the use of landfill as our main means of disposal. More than 95% of our black bin waste is now sent to produce energy to heat premises and produce power for industry. The remaining waste – which equates to less than five per cent – is sent to landfill.

The council now transfers its black bin waste to two energy plants outside the borough, where it is used as a resource to generate usable heat and power.

The ending of the use of landfill as our primary disposal method has been made possible by the council's investment in state-of-the-art facilities at our new environmental hub on Cledford Lane, Middlewich. The hub provided a base for our environmental services including parks, recycling and waste.

The purpose-built hub in Middlewich is a central location, enabling the authority to provide an efficient service with first-rate facilities worthy of a borough committed to replacing landfill as its main means of disposal.

For further information on recycling, please go to: www.cheshireeast.gov.uk and search 'waste and recycling'.

LIFE WITH LESS PLASTIC ACROSS CHESHIRE EAST

Lots of people and organisations across Cheshire East are doing their bit to cut down on using plastics so that the environment is protected for future generations.

McDonald's has announced they are set to replace plastic straws with paper ones from September. They currently use 1.8 million straws a day in the UK.

“Small changes can have a huge positive impact.”

The Environment secretary Michael Gove called it a 'significant contribution' to helping the environment, adding that it was 'a fine example to other large businesses'.

But if the thought of going plastic free seems too overwhelming, why not choose to change your habits around a few single-use plastic items?

Making small changes can have a huge positive impact on our environment. We are currently in the process of looking at how we can further minimise the consumption of single use plastics.

The aim is to highlight how we can all use less plastic by making frequent and simple changes.

What you can do now:

Try to avoid 'single use' water bottles. Choose a bottle you can reuse over and over again. A refillable bottle makes more sense and will save you money in the long term.

Ask yourself – do I really need to use all those plastic straws? Look for paper cotton buds instead of plastic ones. Remember, if you are visiting the beach, dispose of your waste responsibly, as waste polluting our oceans is having a catastrophic impact on marine life.

Our message is strongly supported by a fantastic group of Cheshire East Waste Prevention Volunteers, who share a passion for spreading the word to community groups, schools and other organisations.

Would you like to get involved? Or do you have a good idea on how we can help to reduce the volume of plastics across Cheshire East? If so, we would like to hear from you.

Please email your ideas to: thevoice@cheshireeast.gov.uk putting 'Plastic' in the subject heading.



FOOD WASTE RECYCLING ON THE WAY



From next year, we are increasing our recycling drive by starting food waste recycling.

The new collections will be integrated within our existing garden waste bin collection service, so it will simply mean adding food waste to your garden bin for recycling rather than your black bin for disposal.

This is an important step forward as currently 40% of the average black bin is food waste going for disposal. While we still want to encourage all of us to 'love food hate waste' or, if you have space, to compost at home – we recognise there is always going to be an element of food that ends up in our waste stream. By recycling that food waste, we hope to both reduce waste and increase our recycling even further.

A waste management company called Biowise has been contracted to build and operate a food composting plant at Leighton Grange, in

Crewe, on behalf of the council, which will help us process mixed food and garden waste in to a high-quality recycled compost.

Why we need to compost our food waste:

- The average UK family throws away £700 of food each year
- We waste around seven million tonnes on food in the UK each year
- By reducing your food waste you could cut your food bill by £60 a month.

Watch out for more detail on food waste recycling over the coming year, as we get closer to launching our service. In the meantime, if you would like to start composting at home, get some advice and a link to where you can buy a composter are available via our website at: www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/recycling

Thank you for helping us to reduce food waste in Cheshire East. Small changes really do make a huge difference!

DR MATT'S TOP SUMMER TIPS TO 'STAY SAFE AND HEALTHY'

Make sure you've had the MMR jabs

"It is important that young people have had both of their MMR jabs, as cases of measles across England are on the increase in people who aren't fully vaccinated and there are large outbreaks across Europe.

"Summer is a time for young people to have fun and travel and it's important that they are protected from measles. Measles is highly infectious and spreads through the tiny droplets that come out of the mouth and nose when people cough and sneeze. You can catch it by breathing in these droplets but it can also live on surfaces for a few hours. Touching a surface and putting your hands near your mouth and nose can be enough to become infected.

"Measles is often a mild illness but it can sometimes lead to serious complications, such as severe infections of the lungs and brain. It can also be fatal in very rare circumstances.

"So please, please make sure you have had both of your MMR jabs before you travel to Europe. Your local GP practice will be able to advise you on how to keep safe."

Drink plenty of water and avoid swimming in unfamiliar waters

"The hot weather is upon us – at last! Make sure you drink plenty... of water.

"You should aim to drink six to eight glasses of water per day. In this hot weather it's even more important. Water is the best choice but tea, fruit tea, coffee or low fat milk can all be hydrating and healthy. Avoid drinking too many sugary drinks like fruit juice, fizzy drinks or sports drinks, as these can be bad for your teeth.

"If you're going swimming in unfamiliar territory – please take care. Deep and cold waters and strong water currents can often surprise even good swimmers.

"Each year, dozens of swimmers get themselves into difficulties in water and risk their lives. Always look at the potential risks before you take the plunge."

Cook food right through on the barbecue

"A barbecue with friends is a great social occasion but no-one will thank you if an undercooked chicken drumstick or sausage gives them food poisoning. So please, ensure all your food is cooked right through and that salads are also washed thoroughly and prepared away from raw meat.

"Disposable barbecues are really popular and can be a good way to enjoy food when you're on the move. But remember, when barbecues are still warm after use, they can still be dangerous as they produce carbon monoxide, which in confined spaces – such as inside your tent – can have fatal consequences.

"So whatever you choose to do this summer, have a great time and stay safe and healthy!



Dr Matt Tyrer

Consultant in Public Health Medicine,
Cheshire East Council

UNDER PRESSURE?



For every three people who read this article in The VoiCE – one person is likely to have high blood pressure.

This statistic is consistent across the whole country but, in Cheshire East, help is at hand in a variety of places. These are located throughout the community including pharmacies, workplaces, GP surgeries, hospitals, health clubs, leisure centres, shopping centres and supermarkets.

You can also 'drop-in' at a pressure station or pharmacy and have a free blood pressure test, without having to make an appointment. There are 73 accredited 'Healthy Living' Pharmacies across our area, which means there's probably one close by.

People with high blood pressure are at a higher risk of a heart attack, stroke or kidney disease. However, this can be avoided if detected in the early stages – it may just require a few minor adjustments to your lifestyle.

If you would like to become fitter and healthier and get support to eat well, drink less, move more, lose weight and become smoke free, why not visit the 'One You Cheshire East' website: www.oneyoucheshireeast.org or phone **0808 1643 202** – start the journey to a healthier you.

If you are aged between 40 and 74, your GP will invite you for a free health check, rather like a MOT. This will only take 20 minutes and is completely free!

Top tips for staying healthy:

- 1** Regular physical activity
- 2** Keep to a healthy weight
- 3** Eat a healthy and balanced diet
- 4** Reduce your salt intake
- 5** Try not to drink too much alcohol
- 6** Take your medicines as prescribed.

Case study factfile: Chris, 42

- He drinks four or five pints of beer most weekend nights
- At 5ft 11in and just under 100kg/15st 9lb, he's overweight and at risk of having high blood pressure
- He has a fry-up every Saturday
- He plays tennis sometimes but doesn't take any other exercise

Dr Matt says: "I'd advise Chris to do activity that gets his heart rate up more often, cut back on the amount of alcohol he drinks and find some healthier foods that he enjoys eating. This will help him lose weight and keep his blood pressure in the normal range, which means he'll live a healthier, longer life."

Planning for school places

In the last three years, more than 1,600 new school places have been created across Cheshire East in our programme to build more classroom space and improve the learning environment.

By 2030 we are expecting an additional 36,000 new houses to be built across the borough and, as your local council, it's our statutory duty to ensure that there are enough school places for all children and young people.



Our school expansion team is working on a number of projects across the area, funded from a combination of money from the Department for Education and housing developers.

One of the completed projects is a school extension at Monks Copenhall Academy, in Crewe, where the children are enjoying new classrooms built to accommodate an additional 210 pupils.

We know that access to a school of choice is a very important issue for families and we are proud to report that we offered first preference places to more than 92% of primary school applicants and more than 94% of secondary school applicants this year.

For more information on school admissions visit: www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schooladmissions

KEEPING YOU SAFE

Summer is a time when many of us are looking to unwind, thinking about holidays or possibly hoping to take advantage of the good weather for days out with family or friends.

But it's not just law-abiding residents that are looking to take advantage. It's also a time when scammers and rogue traders are out in force looking for vulnerable residents in our communities, who could fall into making a costly mistake.

Our Trading Standards Team is helping to keep you safe all year round. In the last financial year, the team prevented almost £600,000 getting into the hands of criminals. This was achieved through home visits and giving advice to concerned residents along with many other activities.

Door step scammers and rogue traders offering



home and garden improvements are more prevalent in the summer than at any other time of the year, so we urge you all to be extra vigilant, not just for yourselves but to support people around you who are more likely to be scammed.

For more information on how to spot the signs to look for and the kind of scams that people could be exposed to, please search 'trading standards' on our website.

And if you think you, or someone you know, has fallen victim to a scam or is being targeted, report it to the Citizens Advice Consumer Service on **0345 404 0506**.



Balancing our budget

We have already started planning for the 2019/20 budget.

The council spends about £700m a year and last year more people and organisations than ever gave their views about our plans. As a result, some important changes were included in the final budget, based on the feedback we received.

Our first step is to look at our current spending patterns and review our income forecasts including grants, business rates and council tax from new homes in the borough. We then need to consider changes to ensure spending and income can be balanced again in the medium term.

We expect to publish our proposals for 2019/20 a bit earlier this year, to allow more time to consider the responses from local people and organisations in Cheshire East. We plan to issue a pre-budget consultation document in October, with responses expected by the end of November. We will publicise the report and let people know how they can provide feedback.



INTRODUCING THE CARERS' HUB

The Cheshire East Carers' Hub is a new information and support service designed to assist carers of all ages, helping them to fulfil their caring responsibilities while still enjoying a healthy life outside of their caring role.

Carers can register with the hub directly to access the support they need, or they can be referred by an organisation or a professional. Through the hub, there will be a range of support services available, including one-two-one support, training and other activities which carers may be familiar with, as well as offering carers new local opportunities.

The team behind the hub are professionals who put the needs of the carer right at the heart of what they do, so carers can be assured that any concerns or queries they have are listened to.

If you need advice or support as a carer or know someone who does, the team will be available to contact on **0300 303 0208** from 8am to 6pm Monday to Friday and 9am to 12.30pm on Saturdays.

Alternatively you can email: enquiries@cheshireeastcarershub.co.uk or visit: www.cheshireeastcarershub.co.uk for more information.

MAJOR RURAL EVENT WELL SUPPORTED

The 2018 Royal Cheshire County Show was once again a huge success with 76,000 visitors descending on Tabley for the annual event.

This year marked the 180th year of The Cheshire Agricultural Society. The Agri-Centre was extremely popular and followed a 'plough to plate' theme. Cheshire farmers were on hand to explain how to look after livestock and there were demonstrations throughout the show of milking, animal feeding and sheep shearing. Cheshire East Council was again a principal partner supporting the rural community in developing their businesses.



(From left) Kath O'Dwyer, acting chief executive Cheshire East Council, with Nigel Evans, Cheshire Agricultural Society director and Cllr Rachel Bailey, leader of Cheshire East Council.

Crowds were entertained with motorcycle stunts and a 'Power of the Horse to Horse Power' event featured for the first time this year taking visitors on a journey of farming through the ages.

For those attending the show for a little retail therapy, there were more than 700 trade stands. The farmers market on the village green was also a big draw, offering only locally sourced Cheshire products.

The competition schedule was packed with light horses, shire horses, show jumping, pigs, sheep and rare breeds and much more.

Nigel Evans, executive director, said:

"The atmosphere was better than ever and the showground was full of happy, smiling faces. I would like to thank all of the volunteers who help make this event possible and I'm looking forward to welcoming everyone again next year."

For further information visit:
www.royalcheshireshow.org

Reliable transport on the doorstep

Transport Service Solutions is Cheshire East's very own transport company, offering a reliable service to connect people and places, for business, schools and leisure. TSS has its own fleet of accessible minibuses and, above all, aims to encourage a positive customer experience with the help of friendly hard working staff.

One of those is Terry, who drives a 16-seat minibus, picking up children and taking them to school. The children have varied needs so there is also a passenger assistant to accompany the children on the journey.



"I always introduce myself to the families so that I can build a rapport with them. I also like to learn about the needs of the children as every child is different. It gives me great satisfaction knowing that the families and school staff are happy that the children arrive safely and punctually," said Terry.

If you're looking for private hire, planning a trip you can find out more about TSS services by emailing: info@transport-servicesolutions.co.uk

COUNCIL'S NEWEST COMPANY PROVING KEY TO BUSINESS SUCCESS



The Skills and Growth Company was established by the council two years ago, set up to help Cheshire East businesses grow, develop and expand. They support businesses to maximise growth, funding and investment opportunities. They also have an excellent track record in offering apprenticeships and supporting local residents into new jobs and careers.

In two years they have helped create more than 2,000 new jobs and supported high growth businesses, generating £43m of investment in Cheshire East.

Here are a couple of examples of local businesses that are flourishing after Skills and Growth support.

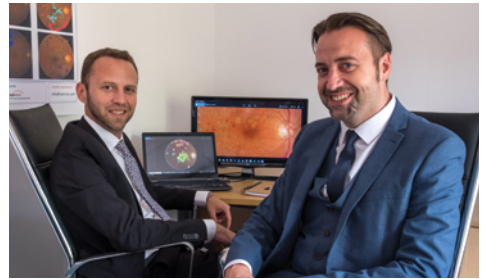


Flour Water Salt

Flour Water Salt is a bakery and café in Macclesfield borne out of a love and passion for handmade bread. From a corporate career to artisan baker, the business was launched in 2009 by Paul and Eva Robinshaw from their home.

"We decided to turn a dilapidated building on Market Place into a new home for Flour Water Salt. We revitalised the building and opened in February 2018. We're now open for breakfast, coffee and lunch serving our own produce. The Skills and Growth Company provided help and practical support to ensure I had the knowledge and tools to make sure the business was investment ready, which meant I could turn our plans into reality."

Paul Robinshaw, Founder



Eyenuk Inc

Eyenuk, Inc. has headquarters in Los Angeles. They develop retina screening and diagnostic products which quickly and accurately identify patients suffering from potentially blinding eye diseases, helping to preserve their vision.

"Cheshire East has been an ideal location for our first office outside the US. The support we received from the Skills and Growth Company enabled us to view and select a number of sites before settling on Crewe Hall and also introduced us to the University of Manchester's 'International Talent' programme, to help us explore target markets in Europe."

**Alan Hill, General Manager
UK and Europe Operations**

WE WANT YOU!



CHESHIRE EAST REFLECTS

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War and as the finale of our Cheshire East Reflects programme, we're organising two cultural commemorative events.

Called 'When the Light Goes Out', the events will take place during Armistice weekend. In the lead-up, we're looking for groups and individuals to get involved – whether that's volunteering as an event steward, making and sourcing props and costumes, as a performer, or sharing stories and memories from the Great War.

The first event will be held in Crewe town centre on Saturday 10 November and include a parade inspired by Crewe's 1918 Tank Week, a street concert featuring bands from across Cheshire East and the premier performance of a newly-commissioned choral piece.

The second event will take place on Sunday 11 November at Tatton Park, Knutsford, and feature building projection artwork – created and inspired by community sourced stories and artefacts from the war – a promenade performance and the extinguishing of the commemorative flame. Both events are free to attend.

For more details about Cheshire East Reflects and how you can get involved, visit: www.cheshireeastreflects.com

Do something incredible

Become a Foster Carer with Cheshire East Council and we'll support you every step of the way.

Go to youcanfoster.org/cheshire-east



youcanfoster.org



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Some key dates for your diary...

RHS Flower Show Tatton Park

18-22 July

www.rhs.org.uk

The Nantwich Show and International Cheese Show Awards

25 July

www.nantwichshow.co.uk

Rewind Festival at Capesthorpe Hall

3-5 August

www.rewindfestival.com

Shakespeare 'Love Labour's Lost' Outdoor Theatre

at Adlington Hall

9 August

www.adlingtonhall.com

Astle Park Engine Traction Rally

11-12 August

www.outdoorshows.co.uk

Congleton Jazz and Blues Festival

25-26 August

www.congletonjazzandblues.co.uk

Just So Festival, Rode Hall

17-19 August

www.justsofestival.org.uk

Nantwich Food & Drink Festival

31 August-2 September

www.nantwichfoodfestival.co.uk

Harvest Festival at Tatton Park

15-16 September

www.tattonpark.org.uk/events

Chilli, Cheese and Chocolate Festival at Dorothy Clive Garden

23 September

www.dorothyclivegarden.co.uk

Events at Capesthorpe Hall

30 September

www.capesthorpe.com

Goosfest 2018

5-22 October

www.goosfest.com

For more events, activities and things to do, visit: www.visitcheshire.com

PRIDE PICNIC IN THE PARK COMING TO TATTON PARK – SEPTEMBER 16!

We're delighted to announce the launch of 'Pride Picnic in the Park'. Our LGBT+ celebration event will take place in the picturesque gardens of Tatton Park, Knutsford, on Sunday 16 September. It promises to be a fantastic family day out. Pride Picnic in the Park is free to attend and open to all ages. A free shuttle bus will be available to transport attendees from Knutsford into the park on the day. For updates and to find out more, visit: www.prideinthepark.com



PRIDE
in the park

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