



Community News

The **Community Hotline** continues via Northfield Community Partnership ...

0121 411 2157 (10am – 3pm Monday – Friday)

for help including shopping and picking up medication as well as advice or if you'd just like a friendly phone-call. Also call for face to face appointments or to use a computer in their Hub, 693-695 Bristol Road South, Northfield.

As advertised in last week's notices, those interested in becoming **Friends of Northfield Station** met online last week. A recording of that meeting can be found on YouTube here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yOopvBNAdFs> or email FriendsOfNFD@gmail.com for a transcript. Also use this email to receive more information, including about the meeting that will be held in person at the station on either 24th or 31st July, where there's an opportunity to meet the Station Master and discuss ideas for the station.

We all deserve to feel safe where we live. Resolve is a well-established organisation that advocates for community safety and the effective tackling of **antisocial behaviour (ASB)**, which is on the rise. From 19th-25th July, Resolve is holding the UK's first ASB-Awareness Week, which includes online sessions where the Victims Commissioner for England and Wales, key figures from national and local government, the police and other organisations discuss how to deal with the rising challenge of ASB. The full programme of events is on the Resolve website: <https://www.resolveuk.org.uk>

Kings Norton Beach (on the Green) will be open from Friday 30th July – Monday 2nd August, and **Northfield Beach** (Price's Square) from Saturday 21st August – Tuesday 24th August, both from 10am-4pm. Both beaches are free, with free drinks and snacks available for all children, as well as lots of other exciting free family fun. Follow on Facebook NorthfieldPship or Twitter #KingsNortonBeach and #NorthfieldBeach

If you're looking for some family entertainment over the weekend of 17th/18th July, why not pop along to **Rowheath Pavillion's outdoor cinema**? Tickets available from: <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/sceniccinema/>

The scenic 18-hole **Lickey Hills Golf Course** is offering great deals for over 60's on weekdays: 7am – 5pm £12,30, or after 5pm £7,30. Call 0121 453 3159.

This week's **Eco Tip**: We hear quite a lot about food waste, and we're probably all guilty of throwing away food that's out of date. Remember 'best before' is not the same as 'use by', and special offers are not so special if they end up in the bin! And when we throw away food, it's not just that food that's wasted, but all the resources that went into growing, making, packaging, transporting and storing it. If you keep a record of what you throw away you might see some patterns developing that can help you identify where to alter your shopping habits (a couple of black bananas each week? Half a jar of leftover pasta sauce? Stale crusts?). Also, never go shopping when you're hungry, and take a meal plan with you and stick to it!

Covid

“Hands, Face, Space and Fresh Air”

A message from Birmingham City Council Public Health Team:

All wards in Birmingham continue to see rises in cases. Quinton and Rubery/Rednal are now in the 'top ten' wards with the highest number of case, and the number of people being admitted to University Hospitals Birmingham with Covid have doubled.

Total cases rose in all age groups this week, most noticeably in the 40-59 age group, the 60-79 age group, and the 80+ age group. They also increased in all ethnic groups, most noticeably the White population.

The Prime Minister has confirmed that Step 4 of the Roadmap will proceed as planned on Monday 19 July. However this does not mark the end of the need for caution and restraint. Although many of the legal restrictions will be lifted, cautious guidance will remain which makes it clear that this not yet a return to normal.

While cases are high and rising, everybody needs to continue to act carefully and remain cautious. Taking regular lateral flow tests are vital, as are taking a PCR test and self-isolating if you show symptoms or have a positive lateral flow test.

For more information about Step 4 and how you can do your bit to stay safe, please visit <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>



Let's all do our bit to keep each other safe.