

The Milverton Team

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# Parking Revenue

## How should it be spent?



The money from parking fines and fees in the town centre is running ahead of expectations and it looks likely to produce large sums of money for the County Council. The money has to be spent on transport schemes to cut car use, but could in theory be spent anywhere in Warwickshire. Councillor Chris Davis says, "It is not unreasonable to expect that money from Leamington

and Warwick should mainly be spent in Leamington and Warwick. We would like your views on how it should be spent i.e. better and more frequent buses, park and ride, cycle paths, help for shoppers with disabilities (Shopmobility), more dropped kerbs (for wheelchairs and buggies), walking buses for schoolchildren? Please let me know on 01926-422056 or [cldravis@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:cldravis@warwickshire.gov.uk)".

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## Cleaning up the River Leam

The River Leam is not looking its best at the moment. Since the floods the number of filthy plastic bags and other litter hanging from trees has become a real eyesore.

The Liberal Democrat controlled Leamington Town Council is determined that something should be done. Cllr Bill Gifford pointed out "The river goes through our parks so this is mainly the responsibility of Warwick District Council. But below the water line it is the responsibility of the Environment Agency."

"The Town Council is keen to see action and we have put some money in the budget for next year to help get the river cleaned." Please contact Bill Gifford if you can help in any way on 338776 or [bill.gifford@warwickdc.gov.uk](mailto:bill.gifford@warwickdc.gov.uk).

## Severn Trent – Major Work

Severn Trent is planning to spend £ 20,000,000 over the next couple of years on improving the sewer system in Leamington. Cllr Sidney Tyrrell says, "This is important work because of the increased dangers from flooding due to the monsoon rains that appear to be a regular feature now and the increased number of houses and flats in Leamington. However, the work will also involve some disruption to the highways. It is early days but we are keeping in close touch with Severn Trent and the County Council."



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## In Brief..... Some of the recent actions by your Milverton Liberal Democrat councillors

- Discussed security problems at Binswood Street flats and pushed for action on Westbrook House lift
- Spoke to County Council officers about parking changes
- Discussing policing priorities and use of mobile cameras
- Supported Brookhurst School's request for fairer funding
- Asked for easier parking for Community Groups using the Town Centre

# Litter Blitz



Nick Denney, Cllr Nick Pittarello, Maria Denney and Amanda Turner tackle the river bank

Local residents spent a Saturday morning cleaning up part of the Milverton riverside near Princes Drive following the summer flooding. Cllr Nick Pittarello commended the group's efforts and said "It is very encouraging to see people taking action to improve our local environment for the benefit of all". If you are interested in joining a future clean-up, or would like to suggest an area that could benefit from one please email [litter.blitz@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:litter.blitz@yahoo.co.uk)

## Opera Star to sing in Leamington – book now!

The Mayor, Cllr David Greenwood, is proud to announce that he has invited his cousin Sir John Tomlinson, the opera singer, to perform at a charity concert on February 9th. The money raised will help his charities: Leamington Family and Friends, Leamington and Warwick Sea Cadets, St Johns Ambulance and Warwick District Citizens' Advice Bureau.

Sir John, who has just finished a highly acclaimed season at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, will be performing Wagner, Verdi, Mozart and Gilbert and Sullivan. He will be supported by the admirable Royal Leamington Spa Bach Choir.

David said, "This will be a very special evening of magnificent singing. Tickets are priced between £ 15 and £ 25, available at the Royal Spa Centre box office on 334418 or the website: [www.royal-spa-centre.co.uk](http://www.royal-spa-centre.co.uk)"

## Do you know of any bad Pavements?

We know that some of the pavements in Milverton cause problems to those who use buggies or have difficulty walking, but we may be missing some. Please let Cllr Chris Davis know of any faulty pavements that you regularly use.

Chris can be contacted by email on: [cllrdavis@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:cllrdavis@warwickshire.gov.uk) or by phone on 01926-422056



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