Staff News: Take 5 Thursday 2 July 2020

Welcome to the first ever Take 5, our all new weekly staff update, designed to bring you our latest news summary in a five minute read.



The route out of the Coronavirus crisis: latest guidance

The First Minister provided an update on progress through the Scottish Government Route Map which is on track to move to Phase 3. Full details will be confirmed next week. Key updates:

- From 3 July, the five-mile limit for travel for leisure purposes will be removed
- The two metre distance rule remains but there will be exemptions for some sectors (hospitality, retail, public transport) if appropriate steps are taken and guidance will be published to support this
- From Friday 10 July, face coverings in shops will be mandatory but people should start wearing them now
- Some restrictions on gatherings for children have been relaxed
- Children on the shielding list will be individually assessed and families written to in coming days

For full details visit the Scottish Government website: https://www.gov.scot/

Renfrewshire's restart: relaunching our services

This was an important week for our Customer Services Registration team and District Registrar as they opened their service for registering births from the temporary location at 5 High Street. As well as working their way through the large backlog of lockdown babies, the team are also offering a face-to-face appointment service for registering new births.

Another milestone was reached on Monday as our Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs) began taking all normally accepted items – although access is currently only available to cars. Those visiting must provide proof of residency and ID.

For all the latest updates on changes to Council Services go to: www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/coronavirus-changestoservices





Sma' Shot Day: Saturday 4 July 2020

This year's celebrations will be quite unlike any other, kicking off with a video introduction from Provost Lorraine Cameron and Charleston Drummer Tony Lawler, followed by loads of fantastic online events including; a range of short films and videos telling the story of Sma' Shot Day and what it means to local people, online drama workshops for kids, music, song and the much-loved poetry slam plus much more. For the full programme of events visit: https://paisley.is/

We are Fair

Did you catch Chris Dalrymple's film on Our Values this week? Our Communities and Regulatory Manager shared his thoughts on being fair in the first of our #LivingOurValues case studies.

Over the next four weeks, we'll take each value in turn and find out more about what they mean,

how we are already living them and invite you to share your thoughts and examples of our values in action. This week's focus is 'We are fair, we treat each other and everyone we deal with respectfully and work hard to build trust in Renfrewshire Council"

Don't miss Chris' short film together with his blog at www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/wearefair.





Cycling for the stars!

The work of our support pack distribution hubs during lockdown has been simply incredible. A perfect example of how we already live our values as a collaborative workforce coming together to help our communities.

In addition to all the hard work at Park Mains hub, staff from Building Services embarked on a mission to raise money for the Brightest Star, a local charity that supports bereaved parents.

Using stationary bikes borrowed from the school gym, the group challenged themselves to ride 874 miles—the equivalent journey from Lands' End to John O'Groats.

To date, they have raised an incredible £1,095 and are still accepting donations through their Just Giving page here: www.justgiving.com/fundraising/building-services2020.

A massive thank you to everyone who has already donated and a very big well done to everyone involved.

Our **Health, Safety and Wellbeing at Work** webpage is there to provide you with information and contacts to help you keep well during this time.

Visit: www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/health-safety-wellbeing



Don't forget, we'd love to hear from you!

If you have a story to tell or something interesting to share, get in touch with us at: internal.communications@renfrewshire.gov.uk