


WEEKLY NEWS


 CELEBRATE
SANDWELL
BOSTIN PEOPLE
BOSTIN PLACE




Sandwell - Bostin People, Bostin Place

From the incredible effort of delivering 15,000 food parcels to vulnerable people to supporting young people through school closures and looking out for one another through the pandemic, you've truly shown us the very best of Sandwell. [We've made a short video to highlight just some of this great work.](#)

 And we have so much coming up in Sandwell to be excited about.

 From the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games and the new Sandwell Aquatics Centre, to investing in our towns, making Sandwell a cleaner, greener and safer place to live and so much more.

 We're proud to Celebrate Sandwell – a Bostin Place with Bostin People 🏆🏆🏆

And who could forget our fantastic farms and Sandwell Valley Country Park - look out for Steven the goat in our video! 🐐🐐🐐🐐

[Find out more about everything there is to celebrate in Sandwell.](#)



**COST OF
LIVING
HELP**

**£3.4million for
pensioners on low
incomes and families
with children**





Sandwell Council will distribute £3.4million to pensioners on low incomes and families with children as the cost of living continues to rise.


Children who get free school meals will receive food vouchers worth £15 each week over the six-week summer holiday, the council has confirmed. And pensioners on low incomes will receive a £110 assistance payment, while a further £180,000 will be invested in helping households in crisis. [Read more about the financial help available.](#)


Great news! £19m investment for Rowley Regis


Working with our partners, this money will be spent on five projects:

 Britannia Park Greenspace and Community Hub – improving the infrastructure, facilities and environmental quality of Britannia Park.

 Canal Network Connectivity – improving active travel connectivity within and across Rowley Regis by upgrading the Old Main Line Canal and Dudley No.2 Canal towpath surfaces, and access points onto the canal from surrounding areas.

 Rowley Regis Satellite Education Hub – a new, dedicated education and training centre in Cradley Heath to enable the engagement of young people and adults.

 Blackheath Bus Interchange and Public Realm – the creation of a central bus interchange around Blackheath Market Place.

 Rowley Regis Connected – a phased set of infrastructure improvements to link transport (rail, bus) and employment hubs in Blackheath, Cradley Heath and Oldbury.

[Find out more about Towns Fund renovations for Rowley Regis.](#)

PROUD TO BE PART OF SANDWELL'S TOWNS FUND PARTNERSHIP



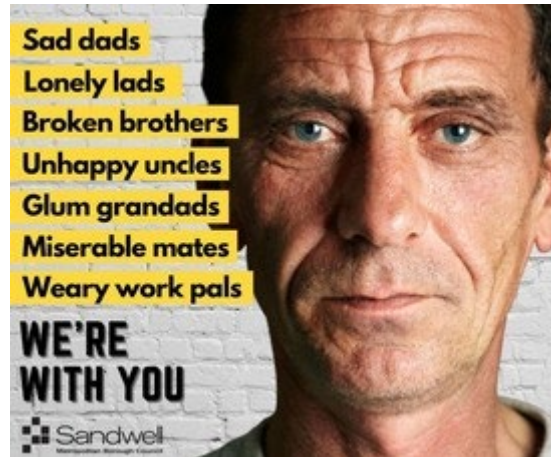
Gents, let's talk about mental health

Suicide is the single biggest killer of men under 50.

🧑 Please don't suffer in silence and look out for your mates.

💚 Suicide is preventable. Talking can save lives. We're with you.

[Find help with Healthy Sandwell.](#)



Be scam aware

Want to help your loved ones stay safe against scams?

It's important to always keep an eye out for scams. They can and do affect anyone, and it's Scam Awareness Fortnight, so a great time for a heads up.

Something might be a scam if:

👁️ it seems too good to be true – for example, a holiday that's much cheaper than you'd expect

! someone you don't know contacts you unexpectedly

👤 you suspect you're not dealing with a real company – for example, if there's no postal address

🔔 you've been asked to transfer money quickly or pay in an unusual way – for example, by purchasing vouchers or through a transfer service like MoneyGram or Western Union

👉 you've been asked to give away personal information like passwords or PINs

👉 you haven't had written confirmation of what's been agreed

[Get involved with scams awareness today.](#)



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