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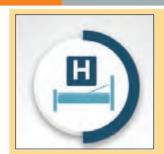
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### Honouring Bolton's Somme fallen



100th Anniversary: Veterans, cadets, members of the armed forces and the public honoured the memory of those who died during the battle

### THE hundredth anniversary of the start of the Battle of the Somme was commemorated last month.

A packed programme of events honoured the

battle during last month's Armed Forces Week.

Members of the Duke of Lancaster Regiment;
216 Battery Bolton Artillery; Bolton United Services Veterans Association (established 1906); Royal British Legion, other veteran organisations and Bolton's Combined Forces Cadets all took part.

As well as flying the Armed Forces flag and a wreath laying ceremony there were cadet challenges, displays from the armed forces and cadets, information and advice for veterans and people interested in armed forces.

Bolton Library and Museum Service also had a display about the Battle of the Somme in the library and a stall with items relating to the battle. (See page 12).

## Tuck in to food fest

BOLTON'S fantastic Food and Drink Festival promises an exciting line-up for all taste buds this summer.

Great British Bake Off winner Nadiya Hussain headlines the festival.

Britain's best-loved authority on wine Oz Clarke and fellow wine expert Kate Goodman will be giving out their culinary expertise.

James Martin, Michael Caines and John

Torode will all be making a welcome return.

Top chefs Robert Owen Brown, Sean Wilson and Aiden Byrne are just some of the chefs who will be sharing their cookery skills in free demonstrations in the Market Place Vaults.

The festival is organised by Bolton Council, in association with Aldi. Other sponsors are University of Bolton, Market Place Shopping Centre,

Stateside Foods and Willmott Dixon.

Partners include: Arts Council; Bolton College; Bolton Market; KRO; Octagon Theatre; Slattery, and Worsley Park Marriott Hotel and Country Club.

Tickets for the celebrity chef demos and the special events are on sale at www.boltonfoodanddrinkfestival.com

See inside for more details.



**SPECIAL MENU:** James Martin returns to this year's festival which will also see Nadiya Hussain, Oz Clarke and Kate Goodman appear for the first time

## Free Parking

at NCP multi-storey car parks Deane Road, Topp Way and The Octagon at weekends and Bank Holidays

Plus a Free Metroshuttle bus service operating around the town centre. For more information visit www.visitbolton.com

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## New-style care company

Bolton's new adult them into the company social care company began trading on Friday, July 1.

Bolton Care and Support Ltd is a not-for-profit company that provides a range of care and support for adults in the community including: supported living services; disability day care; older adults' day care; extra care services; and the shared lives service.

At the helm is the company's new Chief Executive, John Livesey, formerly the Acting Director of Children's and Adult Services at Bolton Council.

John said: "I'm incredibly excited about the opportunity to lead this new development for Bolton and am looking forward to building Bolton Care and Support into a successful and high quality provider of social care for local people.

"Our first priority is the safe transfer of services from the council to the company, and ensuring that the services continue to provide the high quality of care that they currently deliver. We have a great workforce who does a fantastic job in caring for our residents and we are working together to support

"We are a socially responsible company. don't use zero-hours contracts and everyone who works for us is paid more than the National Living Wage. We have been overwhelmed by the response we've had to our recent recruitment drive."

**Bolton Care and Support** Ltd was set up following approval in January by Bolton Council and has received support from service users and carers as a way of protecting social care services in the borough.

The company is wholly owned by the council. The Chief Executive will report to a steering committee of local councillors, whose chairman is the Deputy Leader of the Council, Cllr Linda Thomas.

Cllr Thomas, said: "Creating this company has provided an alternative to further outsourcing of social care services.

"Bolton Council is committed to providing high quality, life-enhancing care and we think that Bolton Care and Support provides an ideal opportunity for us to achieve this. We want the company to be innovative and to grow by developing high quality, value for money services that will meet the needs of the



NEW START: Bolton Care and Support Ltd Chief Executive, John Livesey (centre), is looking forward to leading the new company to success, with (L-R) service users William Letchford and Josephine Thornton, care assistant Sharon Foxcroft, Deputy Leader of Bolton Council Cllr Linda Thomas, service user Laurence Walsh and day services officer, Kath Riley at Thicketford House

changing health and social care economy in Greater Manchester and beyond."

The company headquarters will be at Thicketford House in Tonge Moor and services will be delivered throughout Bolton.

forthcoming months the company will be continuing its recruit-ment drive and will be looking for friendly, compassionate and dedicated care workers to assist vulnerable people in our Supported Living and Extra Care Housing Services. We think supporting and caring for the people who use our services is one of the most rewarding jobs you can have, helping people with all aspects of their lives, from taking part in leisure and learning activities at one of our day services centres to supporting people to supporting people in their own homes with everyday living. The posts will be advertised on www. yourcounciljobs.co.uk and will be required in the following areas:

#### **Extra Care Housing**

#### **Care Officers Grade 5** £ 19,505 per annum,

£10.11 hourly rate
Our Extra Care Housing services provides integrated social care, housing support and social activities to older people in their own homes.In our Extra Care schemes professional care staff are on-site 24 hours / day to support the needs of the residents when required. The schemes provide the opportunity of social interaction and community engagement, with a whole range of events and

activities that people can take part in if they wish.

**Supported Living** Services/Disability Day Services

**Community Support** Workers Grade 4 (18.5, 30 and 37 hour per week contracts)

£17,267 per annum, £8.95 hourly rate

**Night Care Assistants Grade 3** (22.2 hours average per week, on a rota

basis including weekends) £15,917 per annum, £8.25 hourly rate plus 30% night enhancement

Supported Living Services enables people to continue living in the community, safely maintaining their own lifestyle with choice and independence. It provides a range of personal and physical care services, and also support with practical matters, including help with budgeting, cooking and social skills. These services are offered in supported living accommodation or through our outreach services in the person's own home.

Our disability service supports adults with a dis-ability in centres in their own community, to continue to live independently and to maintain their lifestyles and choices, in a safe environment meeting the person's needs with respect and dignity.

If you or someone you

know is interested in working with Bolton Care and Support, please check on www.yourcounciljobs.co.uk for the latest vacancies

#### **Bolton Metropolitan Borough Council**

#### Members' Allowances Scheme 2015/2016

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Local Authorities (Members Allowances) (England) Regulations 2001, that the Council has published details of payments made to individual members of the Council under its Scheme of Members Allowances for the year ended 31st March, 2016.

The published list may be viewed on line at www. bolton.gov.uk or by contacting Democratic Services on 331036.

#### **Members' Allowances Scheme** 2016/2017

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Local Authorities (Members Allowances) (England) Regulations 2001, that the Council has amended its Scheme of Members Allowances with effect from 18th May, 2016.

The amended scheme may be viewed on line at www.bolton.gov.uk or by contacting Democratic Services on 331036.

Mrs H. Gorman **Borough Solicitor**  **Bolton** Council

### New Start Well service proposed

council has launched a review into the future of the borough's Early Years services and Children's Centres.

Proposals to change some of the locations and the services delivered at the centres have been approved for public consulta-

The council must make savings of £43m by 2017 due to budget cuts by central government. These proposals would save £1.47m if approved.

Local authorities have a duty to provide sufficient children's centres and make services available that are aimed at helping families in most need.

So the council is proposing to establish a new, integrated 'Start Well' service which would see the merger of the following teams: Children's Centres; Early Years and Childcare; and Family Support.

These teams would operate from seven Start Well community hubs across the south, north and west areas of the borough.

All remaining children's centres would continue to be used for wider community use and be linked to a Start Well community hub, but managed by a school or third sector partner. This would present partners with the opportunity to expand the services delivered if desired.

In addition, services at Bromley Cross and Horwich and Blackrod Library sites would continue to be delivered but at a reduced

Cabinet Member Education, Schools, Safeguarding and Looked After Children, Councillor Ann Cunliffe, said: "Children's Centres have, for the past few years, provided vital services for our most disadvantaged residents and been a valuable asset to our communities.

"It is with much regret and with a heavy heart that we now have no choice but to reconsider the buildings we have and look at ways we can save money. That said, we are working more effectively with partners and this gives us the opportunity to merge services within the council as well as offering a holistic service with health professionals.

"It is important to stress that no buildings are 'closing', but in order to make the savings required we

must seek alternative uses for them. There would still be essential services provided in areas that need them most and outreach work will continue with the most vulnerable families. It is essential that we remain committed to getting our youngsters school ready, and bringing together the right advice, support and professionals under one roof will help us achieve this.

Under the proposals, new Start Well hubs will be established in the following children's centres: Great Lever; Tonge; Old-ham's; Oxford Grove and Alexandra. Two additional hubs would be created at Winifred Kettle Centre, in Westhoughton and, subject to funding, at King Street Centre in Farnworth.

## Health and care together in Westhoughton

RENOVATIONS to Winifred Kettle House in Westhoughton are nearing completion.

The building has undergone a complete refurbishment and will open as an integrated neighbourhood base for community health and care services.

The council has worked with its partners at NHS Bolton CCG and Bolton NHS Foundation Trust to bring together a range of services under one roof.

As Bolton Scene went to print, it was expected that the Older Adults Day Care Service would be the first to move back in, on the ground floor, from its temporary home at Daisy Hill Community Centre.

Office space has been created on the first floor, which will provide a base for the local district nursing team, the health visitor teams and the integrated neighbourhood team - Bolton's new approach to delivering health and social care services to our most frail and vulnerable residents.

The building will also become home to a new district nursing treatment room service, enabling residents to access clinical assessment for a wide variety of wound care issues, including leg ulceration, injection administration and other therapeutic servicers currently not available in this area of Bolton.

Health visitors and district nursing teams will transfer from Westhoughton Clinic.

## New Loco Works school plans



SCHOOL DESIGN: An early graphic of how the new school could look like

An initial artist's impression of what the new Chorley New Road Primary School could look like has been revealed.

The school is currently a one-form entry school but the council is hoping to make it two-form entry in order to create extra places for the Horwich Loco Works (Rivington Chase) development.

The development is expected to create up to 1700 houses in the next 10 to 15 years.

A feasibility study suggests creating the new purpose-built primary school on the current school's playing fields and demolishing the existing building, with a view to creating play and recreation facilities in its place.

More detailed plans will come back to the council at a later date.

## Message from the Leader



**Councillor Cliff Morris** 

Following the democratic decision that we have just taken as a nation, I want to outline how your council intends to respond.

It was particularly good to see so many young people taking part, and so many people getting involved in voting for the first time – I hope that this will lead to more people being engaged and interested in the political debate, and making their voice heard.

The challenges our town faces, that were set out throughout the referendum campaign, still stand - but the result is clear. The people of Bolton have spoken and we accept the decision; now is the time to focus on how we can move forward.

We have worked together with our partners, based on a commitment to building up Bolton and making sure that we can punch above our weight. We introduced small business grants to help entrepreneurs realise their dreams and take empty units in the town centre. For example, in our award-winning Bolton Markets. Similar schemes in other parts of the borough have had great success for example in Horwich, where we have seen five new shops open during the

past year.
Using initiatives like this to support Bolton's economy means that we are now seeing more Bolton people in jobs and continued investment across the borough, even at these challenging times.

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The huge employment opportunities at the Logistics North site in Hulton are particularly exciting. This is partnership working at its best, and it's also transforming our town centre with the new restaurant offer in the Vaults getting off to a great start and more attractions expected to join the Market Place development soon, including the opening of our fantastic new town centre cinema.

I want to reassure you that at this time of deep uncertainty, we will continue to face this as one community, and as one Bolton family.

## New play area open

A NEW town centre play area has opened which reflects the town's historic links with elephants.

The new pachyderm play area is situated in Octagon Court and includes a large multi-use play structure with climbing frames and a slide, as well as two elephant-shaped rockers.

Ellie, Elner and Mr Jackbow, the brightly coloured elephants which previously stood at the top of Newport Street have been given a new home adjoining the play area. The elephant theme is continued with elephant footprints carved into paving stones across the square.

There is also a sign explaining the history of elephants in Bolton and Bolton's long connection with these animals. The cast iron elephants which previously sat on top of the charity canopy have also been given a new home on top of this sign

As part of the project, Octagon Court has also been repaved in sandstone and new LED lighting columns installed.

Councillor Cliff Morris, Leader of Bolton Council said: "I'm extremely pleased to be opening this great new elephant-themed play area, which reflects the town's long history and association with elephants throughout the years.

"We hope that parents will be able to take a break from shopping, whilst their children have fun playing on the new play area and learn about the town's connections with these enormous animals."



PLAY AREA: Cllr Morris is pictured opening the new play area

#### Never trespass on the railway

WORK to electrify the railway through Bolton continues this summer as part of Network Rail's £1bn plus Railway Upgrade Plan to improve passenger journeys across the north of England.

Local communities in the Bolton area are being reminded to stay safe and not to trespass on the railway. Parents are being asked to make clear the dangers of trespassing on the railway to their children, by asking them to stay away from the tracks particularly during school holidays.

Overhead power cables carrying 25,000v of electricity are being installed on the railway between Manchester and Preston via Bolton.

Janet Clark, community safety manager for Network Rail, said: "Never trespass on any area of the railway. We want everyone to stay safe and the safety signs, warnings, fences and boundary markers are there to help make that happen."

If you have an enquiry about Network Rail or our infrastructure please contact our 24 hour national helpline on 03457 11 41 41. If you have information related to an incident of trespass please contact British Transport Police on 0800 40 50 40.

For more information please visit networkrail. co.uk/bolton

## New library for Little Lever

Exciting plans to create a new, modern library for Little Lever have been announced.

The council is looking to buy an alternative building with the intention that the new facility will replace the area's current library in Coronation Square.

Little Lever Library was opened in 1940 and offers computer classes, a scrabble group, and a venue for local history talks as well as providing traditional library services

However, at just over 1200 square feet in size it has been unable to grow with demand.

Negotiations are underway with the council and the agents for a building more than six times the size that will offer the opportunity for shared use with another community facility.

## **Building for the future**

Bolton's economy faces a number of challenges which the council and its partners are looking to tackle. The previous economic strategy for the borough was developed in 2011 when Bolton had started to emerge from the recession.

In the past five years 4700 more residents have moved into work, and 3000 more jobs have been created with almost £1bn of investment.

The new strategy looks at how to improve the borough's economy and looks ahead to 2030.

The council cannot do this by itself. The council does not own many buildings, in particular in the town centre, so it has no control over rents or which businesses are brought in, and business rates are set by the government. The council therefore has to try to influence which businesses come in by working with property owners and companies looking to invest private money into the borough.

## A new Newport Street

WORK to the £3m improvement of Newport Street is well underway.

The first shops have been spruced up and received a new 'bolt-on' frame to provide a more uniform looking street.

Newport Street is a key pedestrian route into the town centre from the new interchange to Victoria Square. Up to £2m has been set aside for new shop frontages and £1m for improving the street by putting in new paving, seating, street lights and trees.

The council worked with the owners of the properties to develop the new design.



## Interchange latest





A BRAND new, state-of-the-art lightweight roof has been fitted to the bus station concourse at Bolton Interchange.

Work to install the Ethylene Tetra Fluoro Ethylene (ETFE) roof – the same material was used for the roof at Victoria rail station is now complete.

The material is approximately 1% of the

weight of an equivalent amount of glass so there is less of a load on the supporting structure, which reduces the amount of framework and materials necessary and lowers project costs.

And work to install the external glazing on the bus concourse is almost complete.

## Casting the vote for Youth MPs

BOLTON has two new Youth MPs — after an impressive 18,936 votes were cast by the town's teens.

Jaya Patel, aged 16, of Rivington and Black-rod School and Jonathan Wright, aged 16, of Thornleigh Salesian College came out on top, beating five other candidates to the title.

Jonathan, who led the way in terms of votes with 4820, said: "I am very happy that all those people have put their trust in me to be their Youth MP.

"I will carry on my work with the youth council to raise awareness of mental health services and work to bring life skills into schools and make sure that young people are involved in the decisions affecting the town centre"

Jaya Patel, who got 3821 votes, said: "I am going to

be focusing on diversity and bringing different cultures, religions and faiths together.

"I also want to bring life skills into school and become a figure head for young people so that they can come and talk to me with their crises and their enjoyments."

As Youth MPs the pair will be tasked with finding out the concerns, interests and needs of other young people in Bolton and then will discuss these on a local, regional and national level with the help of councillors, MPs and other key decision makers.

They will also attend regional meetings and meet with the UK Youth Parliament once a year.

The newly elected MPs will take over from Tresor Mbuyi from Thornleigh Salesian College and Ebony Cropper from Bolton St Catherine's Academy.



**YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES:** New youth MPs Jonathan Wright and Jaya Patel at the front with fellow candidates, from left, Simone Hart, Elle Round, Matthew Kyle, Charli Fairbrother and Natalie Armstrong

## Historic first for new Mayor



**NEW MAYOR:** Cllr Lynda Byrne is the new Mayor of Bolton with her husband, Cllr John Byrne as the Mayor's Consort

FOR the new Mayor of Bolton it promises to be another year of achievement.

Councillor Lynda Byrne was inaugurated as the town's first citizen in May. Her husband Councillor John Byrne was Mayor during 2010-11 so it's thought to be the first time that a married couple have both been Mayor of the borough.

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It means Lynda has experience of the role, as she served as Mayoress during her husband's ceremonial year.

The achievement is not the only first she will have achieved. Councillor Byrne was the first Labour councillor and the first female elected for the Bradshaw ward when she was elected in 1994.

Born and brought up in Tonge Moor, her parents owned Lynda Lou's pram and toy shop for many years before the family moved to Breightmet. When she left school Lynda went to work as a nurse at what was then Bolton General Hospital.

In 1983 she started work for Bolton Council as a disability officer and then joined Bury Council in the same

She has been a member of the Labour Party since 1987. Lynda and John have been married for 44 years and have two sons, Jon and Christopher and five grand-children.

Councillor Byrne has also served as councillor for Crompton ward and has represented Breightmet for the past 12 years.

She is on the Adoption Panel, Planning and Licensing committees, Environment Scrutiny Committee and serves on the Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Authority. In the past she has been Vice-Chair of the Land and Property Sub Committee

erty Sub Committee.
"During my time as Mayor I would like to encourage more people to take up volunteering and highlight the valuable work that volunteers do.

The council is grateful for the support of the many

voluntary organisations around the town."

The role of Mayor of Bolton is a ceremonial one and is the Queen's representative in Bolton. The Mayor also raises money for charities through events throughout the year.

During her year in office Councillor Byrne is fundraising for Bolton Carers Support, Bolton Hospice, Bolton YMCA, and the Crossroads Bolton branch, with all the money spent in the borough.

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#### Celebrating Her Majesty's 90th Birthday



A SPECTACULAR firework display on Spa Road Playing Fields at Queens Park marked the 90th birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

The fireworks included the colours of the Union Flag — red, white and blue — in a patriotic tribute to Queen Elizabeth II.

The council also responded to a request from the Queen's Pageant Master by lighting two beacons — one in Horrocks Wood car park off Scout Road and another at USN Bolton Arena.

#### Bolton Community Half Marathon

A NEW race has entered the Bolton sporting calendar.

The Bolton Community Half Marathon takes place this September and entries have now opened.

The council has worked with race organisers Mad Bull Events to host the race. Mad Bull already organise a number of other races in the area.

The race takes place on Sunday 4 September and starts and finishes at Le Mans Crescent, goes along Chorley New Road then follows the Middlebrook trail, with a loop through Lostock and Westhoughton before returning along the Middlebrook trail back to the finish in Le Mans Crescent.

Winners will get a T shirt and medal.

Bolton has a long history of running and sporting competition and world record holder Ron Hill competed for Bolton Harriers. In the early 1980s the Bolton Marathon was one of the first and biggest in the UK.

Full and partial road closures will be in place throughout the event.

You can enter now at www.boltoncommunitymar-athon.com/

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## Could you share your life?

The Shared Lives service offers long and short term placements for vulnerable adults with families. It's for adults from 16 upwards who who have need of additional support. This can include a learning difficulty, physical disability, mental health condition, or need support because they are older. The service always needs carers to come forward to look after people. In this edition of Bolton Scene we spoke to three people who are benefiting from the service.

THROUGH the Shared Lives service a family, couple or single person offer either a short or long term home for a vulnerable person.

It means the person who is being supported experiences ordinary family life. The carer supports the person to develop or maintain independent living skills, friendships and build roots in their community, creating a meaningful sense of belonging.

The needs of the person do vary from moderate to severe. Some could be looked after children who need a bit of support as they move into independent adulthood while others need support for the whole of their lives. They might need a permanent home; somewhere to stay for a short break or an overnight stay; or somewhere to live in the short term to learn independent living skills.



Sarah and Shelli

"Shelli treats me as an adult and I'm looking to become more independent in the future.'

'Shared Lives is such an appropriate name for the service," said carer Shelli.

"You're opening up your home to someone to become part of the family. The carers and the person being looked after are carefully matched."

Shelli supports Sarah, who is 21 and has lived with her and her family for the past two years. But she also has other adults coming to her to stay short

it's all Sarah, about becoming more independent after going through a lot as a child. She is studying performing arts at Bolton College and likes acting and dance.

"I would like to go into acting and singing in the

"Shelli treats me as an adult and I'm looking to become more independent in the future."

That's one of the reasons why many carers take up the role.

"It motivates me as a carer to encourage others to get life skills and to live independently," she added.

"We talk about the skills needed to live alone and with people. I feel like I'm passing on individual skills unique to Sarah, and am providing a family environment.

"We have 24 hour back up if there are any problems, have regular contact with the team and get regular training in anything we feel we need, such as first aid training.



Sarah lived with her mum, and both felt as mum was experiencing health problems that Shared Lives would be a good option.

She is looking to become more independent and move to her own home, in a year to 18 months' time, but has needed support to do

Sarah gets a lot of help from Aziz and Tami in particular helping with money and budgeting, which is preparing her for becoming more independent.

But Sarah is also increasing her own confidence and self-reliance. She studied at Bolton College and now volunteers at its Brownlow Fold Centre. She supports two students with their studies.

Aziz and Tami joined Shared lives three years ago and Sarah is the first person to live with them. Aziz works as a carer for social services and they discussed joining for a long time before they did so.



"Carmel coming to live with me has changed both our lives"

While Sarah is receiving the retirement the opportunity short term support that she needs, Shared Lives also works with people who need greater support.

Carmel has lived with Jean for three years after living with another Shared Lives carer. She has Downs syndrome and learning disability, and needs a high level of support.

already Thev had become good friends, before Carmel moved in as she would come to stay with Jean for short periods to give her previous carer a break. These short breaks are equally important for each other and Carmel goes to stay with Shelli who we met earlier.

"Carmel coming to live with me has changed both our lives," said Jean.

"I worked in day services and when I took early

presented itself to take part with Shared Lives. I have previously done volunteer work and supported people as a befriender.

"It was a big decision for Carmel to come live with me but I don't regret it and it has been good for both of us."

Carmel's interests include listening to music especially opera and Nana Mouskouri. They have a good social life and many friends and go on regular holidays. Carmel attends Horwich day centre five days a week and takes part in all sorts of activities from dance and keep fit to meals and trips out. They receive regular visits from a shared lives Shared Lives worker to help them.

If you're interested in finding out more contact **01204 337515** or **337516** or email adult.placement@ bolton.gov.uk

There's also further information on our website: www.bolton.gov.uk

### Working together for a Better Bolton...

Bolton's local plan for health and care is a shared vision of how we will work together across health providers, health and social care commissioners, and with key partners in the voluntary and community sectors, including Healthwatch Bolton.

This approach isn't new. We've been working together to keep the Bolton Family healthy and well for some years. The changes in our local plan are bigger, will happen faster, and will see closer partnership working, than anything we've done before!

#### We'll be focusing on two main aims over the next five years:

- 1. Real improvements in health and wellbeing
- 2. More sustainable services in terms of money and patient care

The organisations involved all sit on Bolton's Health and Wellbeing Board - a joint forum driving improvements in health and care. Members signed off the plan and will oversee progress.

Health isn't just about hospitals, doctors, and nurses - Bolton's health and wellbeing is everyone's responsibility! That's why services like housing, leisure, and education also have a big part to play in Bolton's local plan.



A new approach to better, quality care.

As part of the local plan we are working together to provide an integrated health and social care offer

Integrated Neighbourhood Teams have been set up across the borough.

Nurses, pharmacists, social workers, occupational therapists, physiotherapists and mental health staff come together with GPs to discuss the needs of people who've been identified as needing care that involves more than one organisation.

By identifying people who'll benefit from early intervention and proactive support in the community, the aim is to keep people self-managing and independent at home.

#### Case Study



#### Derek suffers from heart The Integr

disease, high blood pressure and diabetes.

Derek and his wife didn't really understand his health problems, so when he fell or had a diabetic crisis his wife often called 999...

The Integrated Neighbourhood Team identified a keyworker for Derek - a long term conditions nurse practitioner. She visits Derek regularly to ensure his diabetes is well-managed by supporting Derek to check his bloods regularly and to administer his own insulin.

Derek can call his keyworker for help and support if he begins to feel unwell. His wife hasn't felt the need to call 999 and Derek has avoided unnecessary stays in hospital.

The keyworker is in touch with Derek's GP, so she knows all about his health conditions and the GP is kept up to date. Together, they can plan and arrange any additional support that Derek may need.

#### Taking Charge

### Greater Manchester Devolution

It's no coincidence that Bolton's local plan is happening at the time when health and social care services are being redesigned at a national and regional level.

On the 1st April Greater Manchester became the first region to take control of its combined health and social care budgets – a sum of more than £6 billion. It means that – for the first time – leaders and clinicians will be able to tailor budgets and priorities to directly meet the needs of local communities and improve the health and wellbeing of the 2.8million residents.

Greater Manchester has ambitious five-year plans to establish a new relationship between public services, citizens, communities and businesses to bring a change in approach to health and wellbeing, both at home and in the workplace. Bolton has a role to play too and our plans make up part of the Greater Manchester regional plan.

#### In Bolton...

The Bolton Taking Charge initiative, was launched earlier this year. It's all about getting local people involved in plans for health and care by making a pledge to 'take charge' of their own health and wellbeing. We hope that encouraging people to take responsibility for their own health will make a real difference now and in the future.

The joint vision of Bolton Council, NHS Bolton Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), Bolton NHS Foundation Trust, and Greater Manchester West NHS Foundation Trust is to see less spending on hospital care, with a shift to spending more on services in the community.

Dr Wirin Bhatiani, Chair of NHS Bolton Clinical Commissioning Group, said "These are tough times for health and care in Bolton - doing what we have always done is no longer an option! We will need to make changes and Bolton people have a big part to play in that."

Deputy Leader of Bolton Council and Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board, Cllr Linda Thomas, added: "This is the beginning of a long term deal where we'll need to take charge and responsibility for looking after ourselves."

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## A feast of food and drink

## A spectacular line up of chefs will headline this year's Bolton Food and Drink Festival.

Great British Bake Off winner Nadiya Hussain will be the star of the show when it returns in August.

The four day festival in Bolton town centre will also feature Britain's best-loved authority on wine Oz Clarke and fellow wine expert Kate Goodman.

Celebrity chefs James Martin, Michael Caines and John Torode all make a welcome return to the event which runs during the Bank Holiday weekend from August 26 to 29.

All the chefs will be giving live cookery demonstrations at the festival, which is billed the biggest in the north.

Michelin-starred chef Michael Caines will open the festival on Friday (August 26) before hosting a gala dinner that

As well as celebrity demos, a speciality food, drink and crafts market with more than 150 traders, and live music, the organisers have made some exciting changes to the festival this year.

Highlights include wine tasting sessions with Oz Clarke and Kate Goodman on Saturday (August 27) joined by John Torode at a twilight session.

Oz Clarke said: "I'm looking forward to hosting the tasting sessions. It doesn't matter if you're an expert, an enthusiast or just like the odd glass, there will be something for everyone."

John Torode will also be showcasing recipes on Saturday. He said: "Bolton's always great and there's a cracking vibe to this festival. I'm looking forward to coming back."

As well as a cookery demo, Bake Off winner Nadiya will also host a family brunch for young food fans on Sunday (August 28).

She said: "I am so excited to be coming to this festival. It's been a whirlwind since I won Bake Off and to now be invited to festivals like Bolton's is just amazing. I will be making some of my favourite recipes and I'm looking forward to meeting everyone."

Nadiya will also be the special guest at an afternoon tea with cakes provided by acclaimed Whitefield chocolatier and pattisier Slattery.

James Martin will notch up his eighth appearance on Monday (August 29), the final day of the festival. He said: "Bolton is one of my favourite festivals and it's an honour to be back here again this year in 2016."

More than 200,000 visitors attended last year's festival, which is organised by Bolton Council in association with Aldi

Sponsors are Aldi, University of Bolton, Market Place Shopping Centre, Stateside Foods and Willmott Dixon.

Partners include: Arts
Council; Bolton College;
Bolton Market; KRO; Octagon
Theatre; Slattery, and Worsley
Park Marriott Hotel and
Country Club.

Tickets for the celebrity chef demos and the special events will go on sale at the end of May.

For further information see inside, visit

www.boltonfoodanddrinkf estival.com, follow Bolton Food and Drink Festival page on Facebook or @boltonfoodfest on Twitter.



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## Free Parking

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Plus a Free Metroshuttle bus services operating around the town centre...

For more information visit www.visitbolton.com

### **Crompton Place** summer

Summer is in full flow and Crompton Place Shopping Centre has everything you need to enjoy the holiday season!

With more than 45 high street names and local independents, you can be sure to find whatever you're looking for at Crompton Place.

#### Follow our three simple tips this summer:

- Head to No. 1 Currency to get your holiday money sorted with 0% commission, Click & Collect and guaranteed great rates
- Need a bag to hold all your holiday essentials?#Bag offer an extensive range to suit any occasion
- Holiday on a budget?
   You'll be sure to find stylish swimwear, party clothes and accessories at Blue Inc, Select and Primark, and all for a bargain!

And for when you are home this summer, check out the FREE events we have at Crompton Place:

Crompton's Patchwork Place
Various dates throughout the summer holidays.

We are getting creative at Crompton Place, and we want you to be involved!

Join us at workshops in the centre where you can create your very own quilt patch with the guidance of our crafty crew. We will then sew these together to create Bolton's very own king size patchwork quilt which will be





#### Fun Foodie Weekend

August Bank Holiday weekend.

Here at Crompton Place we will be joining in with the rest of the town in celebrating everything food and drink! Visit the centre to have a go on our smoothie-making bikes, decorate your own biscuits and there could even be free samples from our food retailers!

#### **Crompton Place is open from**

9am – 5.30pm Monday to Saturday and 11am – 5pm on Sundays

(when you can park all day for just £1!). To keep in the loop with events, discounts and competitions, 'LIKE' us on Facebook; Crompton Place Shopping Centre and follow us on Twitter; @CromptonPlace

For more details visit www.crompton-place.co.uk

## See the world differently this summer



#### Would you love to be glasses free this summer?

Imagine holidays without the hassle of contact lenses. Swimming, lazing on the beach and playing sports can all be troublesome for glasses and contact lens wearers. Change that dream of ditching your glasses and contact lenses into reality with Visualase Laser Eye Clinic.

Based within Clough's Opticians on Newport Street in Bolton town centre we have been performing laser eye correction for over fifteen years and thousands of local people are enjoying the benefits.

One patient, Kerry a strategies manager from Bolton said: "Having laser eye treatment has been amazing. A few weeks after my treatment we went on holiday to Italy. It felt really strange not packing the never ending list of paraphernalia for my eyes I used to have to take with me. No more contact lenses, solutions, cleaning pots, spare glasses etc.

"It was great to go swimming in the pool or the ocean without fear of my contact lenses being washed out and I treated myself to a great pair of designer sunglasses as I no longer needed my prescription pair. This is



just one aspect of how this treatment has changed my life and I want to say a huge thank you to all the team at Visualase. They have all been so professional, helped put me at ease and supported me throughout my experience. I cannot express my gratitude enough as this really has given me a new lease of life."

Hilary Smith, clinic manager added: "It is always lovely to receive such wonderful feedback like we hear from Kerry and many patients come to Visualase from recommendations they have received from family, friends & colleagues which is a fabulous acknowledgement for us."

To make laser eye treatment affordable to every patient, there's a wide range of payment plans including 12 months 0% interest-free credit.

An assessment and consultation, which is performed by your treating doctor to determine whether you are a suitable candidate for laser eye correction, is free of charge.

For more information, phone Visualase on (01204) 387467 or visit www.visualase.com



## Get active with style

#### **Summer 2016 is definitely** one packed with sport.

The Euros, Wimbledon, Tour de France, the upcoming Olympics and the local sporting events of Ironman Bolton and Horwich Festival of Racing are just a few of those to mention.

Maybe you've been supporting from the comfort of your sofa at home, or been cheering on from the side lines and been inspired to get your trainers on.

Whether you're thinking of joining a gym, going swimming, running, playing tennis, walking or doing yoga then the first step is to make sure you've got the right kit.

And don't worry the days of fluorescent cycling shorts and sweatbands have gone and it's all about being comfortable with style. So much so that sportswear isn't just for doing sport but can be a fashion outfit in itself.

In fact, you can't go into many clothing shops without being able to find a sports outfit.





**Black Mesh Runners** £36.00, Next



**Mens Colour Jogpants** £10.00, Peacocks



Black, Grey & Pink Sports Shirt, £19.99 TK Maxx





**Ombre Geometric Print** Swimsuit with chlorine resistant £25.00, M&S





**Womens Aztec Print Sports Bra** £10.00, Peacocks



Kalenji Elio T-shirt £6.99, Decathlon



White raglan t-shirt £12.00, River Island

**Womens Grey Active Cropped** Leggings £12.00, Peacocks



Kalenji Ekiden Men's Tight Running Shorts, £5.99 **Decathlon** 



**Karrimor Pace Run Mens** Running Shoes, £14.99 **Sports Direct** 



**Active Vest Top** £18.00, River Island

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## Bolton Association Food Drink Festival 2016

Bank holiday weekend 26th to 29th August

#### **Artisan Markets**

Drop by and sample food and drink from the four corners of the globe in our fantastic markets. With over 150 stalls spread right across the town centre, you'll be spoilt for choice on what to eat for breakfast, lunch and dinner! When you've had your fill don't forget to check out the arts and crafts stalls on Market Street for some unique gifts or drop in to the Arts Circle exhibition space on Corporation Street (near to the Market Place Shopping Centre) for some fantastic art created by local artists. A full list of traders will be posted on the website nearer to the festival

#### **Celebrity Chefs**

Get top tips and watch the pros cook up a storm at our Celebrity Chef Demos. As always we've got a fabulous line up of celebrity chefs taking to the stage each day. The festival is kick-started by friend of Bolton and 2 star Michelin chef, Michael Caines. With free demos in both the main marquee and at our open demo spaces on Friday 26th August, followed by Great British Bake Off 2015 winner Nadiya Hussain who joins us for the first time on Saturday and, back by popular demand, John Torode on Sunday. Bolton Food and Drink festival sweetheart James Martin helps bring the festival to a close on Monday 29th August by focusing on using the best ingredients around to create simple, delicious recipes.

#### **Regional Chefs**

If you're not lucky enough to bag a ticket at our Celebrity Chef Marquee do not despair! We've got a fabulous line up of some of the regions brightest stars all ready to share their top tips and foodie facts with you. With a Regional Chefs Marquee on Le Mans Crescent and cookery theatre demos in the Lifestyle Hall at Bolton Market and Market Place Shopping centre no two days will be the same and no two demos will be either. Keep an eye on the website for the complete list of chefs and their demo timings.

#### Gala Dinner (Sold out)

It's your chance to dine with the stars (that's Michelin stars to you and I) at our annual Gala Dinner! With five sumptuous courses specially created by some of the leading chefs around this is always one of the highlights at the festival. Set in the Celebrity Chef marquee, right at the heart of the festival site, tickets are £60. And with a selection of fantastic wines specially selected by expert buyers from our headline sponsor Aldi, exquisitely matched to each course - it's a feast you won't want to miss.

There'll be clinking of knives, forks, spoons and glasses and singing and dancing in the town centre streets at Bolton's 11th annual Food and Drink Festival this August Bank Holiday. There's a fabulous feast of delights on offer this year, with a welcome return of some familiar faces and a host of special activities to ensure our it all goes with a swing. If you've never been before or you're one of the regulars you certainly won't want to miss out, in fact read on for our insider 's guide to the top 10 things to see and do at this year's festival...

#### Afternoon tea

Our Afternoon Tea session went down a storm last year so we're bringing it back and making it more of a family affair. Slattery afternoon tea is served in its own unique picnic box and is accompanied by a live demo from celebrity chef Nadiya Hussain who will also be joined by some well-known friends for a bit of a natter! What more could you want on a Sunday Afternoon but an afternoon packed with sumptious tasty treats, top cookery tips and some fun and relaxed chat? At only £18, what are you waiting for? Get those tickets booked!

#### Wine tasting

In keeping with our world food theme we're off to Australia with celebrity chef John Torode and wine experts Oz Clarke and Kate Goodman. John will be cooking up some of his favourite Australian dishes that remind him of home and Oz and Kate will be pairing them with some of our Headline Sponsor Aldi's finest Australian wines. You're guaranteed three times the fun and knowledge and some great tales of their travels and experiences of Australia and its excellent wines.

#### **Children's Programme**

Get a 'Mad Science' passport and give your child unlimited access to the weird world of our scientists who will make their hair stand on end! With 7 science zones there's loads to activities to join in with Giant Vortex Cannons, fog rings, ooey-gooey chemistry and slime, candyfloss, popper stopper challenges, calorie burning, light and phosphorescence, Van der Graaf generators, aerodynamics and a hover board ride – suitable for aged 2 - 14 years. Day passports are £2.50 and are available at the Octagon Theatre Box Office

#### Live music stages

With two live music stages located right at the heart of the action, the streets will certainly be alive with sound of music. A full line up of local bands / musicians will be available online nearer to the festival

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#### Street entertainment

There will be dancing in the streets, on the tables and in the marquees at this year's festival when we bring some of the country's finest street theatre to Bolton! Expect some familiar favourites and new comers too – all specially chosen to entertain all our visitors!

#### **Sponsors & Partners**

Our festival wouldn't be what it is without the support of sponsors and partners and this year we're delighted that retail giant Aldi are once again headline sponsor! Joining Aldi this year are sponsors The University of Bolton, Market Place Shopping Centre, Stateside Foods and Willmott Dixon.

#### Aldi

Aldi is the headline sponsors of the Bolton Food & Drink Festival for the second year in a row and we've got a range of exciting activities planned for the Bank Holiday weekend.

Aldi was incredibly proud to sponsor the festival last year, particularly as 2015 marked our 25th anniversary in the UK, and it was great to see the whole of the Bolton community come together for such a special event.

In April this year, we officially opened our new Regional Distribution Centre in Bolton, which has created over 100 extra jobs within the town. The Festival provided a great platform for us to meet potential employees, many of whom have now started with us.

We're continuing to expand and the distribution centre will support new stores and create even more job opportunities for the people of Bolton and the surrounding area.

Tickets for the Gala Dinner (Sold out), Celebrity Chef demos, Afternoon Tea, wine tasting and Mad Scientist passports are on sale now so drop in to the Box Office at the Octagon Theatre, give them a call on 01204 520661 or book online at www.boltonfoodanddrinkfestival.com

See you there!

















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Sparks gives you more of your M&S, including tailor-made offers, priority access to M&S seasonal previews, sales and exciting money can't-buy events and experiences.

#### M&S Bolton

At your local store M&S Bolton, every Saturday at the front of the store we have a Sparks information point. This is an opportunity for you to find out more about Sparks, access your offers and where you can sign up or ask any questions regarding our new loyalty card.

#### Sparks... It's simple...

Pick up a Sparks card in your Bolton Store and register the card in store or at home online through M&S.com account and use it every time you shop to collect Sparks.

The more Sparks you collect, the more benefits that unlock just for you.

#### You can collect Sparks

Every time you shop 10 SPARKS
Every pound you spend 10 SPARKS
Every review you write 25 SPARKS
Every time you shop 50 SPARKS

#### How it works...

Every time you swipe your card we'll donate 1p on behalf to a charity of your choice. So you can be sure to Spark something good every time you shop. By card you've helped us raise £1 million for UK charities.

#### **Tailor-made offers**

Use your Sparks card every time you shop in store or online to help us know what you love. We'll create a selection of personal offers.

The more sparks you collect, the more offers you unlock

#### **Priority access**

With 3000 sparks you'll be the first to see our must-have items with new-season previews.

Snap up Sale pieces before everyone else once you collect 5000 sparks.

#### **Seasonal previews**

Be invited to special events once you collect 14000 sparks, from food master classes to exclusive shopping evenings with catwalk shows.

At 17000 sparks enjoy the chance to join us at fabulous experiences, like an all-expenses paid trip to an M&S vineyard with our wine experts, or a personalised styling session.





## Fun, food, and fashion in the heart of Bolton



Whether you're looking for great shopping, delicious food or a fun day out, Market Place Shopping Centre is fast earning itself the title of the 'go to' place for everything in Bolton.

The historic market hall forms the stunning backdrop to a fabulous day's shopping - with stores including Zara,
Debenhams, H&M, Boots, Next, New Look, Warehouse, Oasis,
Pandora, River Island and Clarks - plus more exciting names to come this year. So you'll find everything you need to re-stock your beauty bag and bring yours and your family's wardrobes up to date

This spring saw the opening of The Vaults - a brand new dining and leisure venue, where you'll find a great selection of restaurants and bars, in a setting completely exclusive to Market Place and Bolton. They've unveiled distinctive historic architecture, which was hidden under the centre for years - stunningly transforming the Victorian vaults for the 21st Century.

Currently home to Nando's and Prezzo as well as an up-and-coming local firm - Great Ale - creating a popular meeting place for family and friends. With ultra modern, atmospheric lighting alongside vintage decor, you'll discover a totally unique and modern vibe in the heart of Bolton - a simmering social scene only just hotting up.

For a taste of what The Vaults has to offer, the centre will be hosting a series of exciting events during the Bolton Food and Drink Festival 2016 – so get your taste buds ready!

Their latest addition, also now open down in The Vaults is sure to challenge and amuse your entire tribe... Discover a journey of excitement as they climb, crawl and run their way through Amazonia - a jungle themed, soft play climbing adventure for kids, with bridges, tunnels and obstacles for all ages to tackle. They can also enjoy a ride on 'The Jungle Express' steam train within the entry price, which starts at just £3. Plus you'll find an 18 hole adventure golf course, where you can test the skill of your entire family through the twists and turns of the jungle themed course and follow up with a thirst quenching, hunger-busting visit to The Jungle Café.

Still to come later this year, is the opening of the state-of-the art nine screen Cinema and bar, to take your viewing enjoyment to the next level. Before long, you'll be buying your tickets to the blockbuster of the year. Watch this space!

Promotional feature CentralScene 7



## An award winning family run business offering best quality fish and chips and introducing new Homemade Specials.

Here at Olympus we have a pianist that plays on Tuesday & Wednesday afternoons 12.30pm-3pm and also on Thursday and Friday evening from 4.30pm-7pm on our fabulous Schimmel. Why not come in for a bite to eat or drink on these days. The whole ambience when the ivories start to be tickled is amazing.

We also have our Orangery that has a very tranquil and airy feel to it and garden that is perfect for a summer lunch or afternoon tea.

It's back! Our famous 1940s event is coming up on the August bank holiday. The one we held over the May bank holiday was an absolute hit with everybody that attended.

The Farnworth performing arts choir will be in on Friday, Saturday & Monday at the following times:

Friday 26 August – 12.45pm to 2.15pm Saturday 27 August – 12.45pm to 2.15pm Monday 29 August – 1.00pm to 2.30pm

NO Wartime Rations just fantastic food and exceptional entertainment!

#### **NOT FORGETTING ... Tasos Tours**

We have a wonderful selection of trips coming up on Tasos Tours, including Llangollen, Chatsworth and Chester. But not forgetting our mystery tour on Saturday 10th September.

Call in for a trip brochure or to book.

35-39 Great Moor Street, Bolton, BL1 1SW Tel: **01204 523887** 

E-mail: info@olympusfishandchips.co.uk www.olympusfishandchips.co.uk

We are also available for private hire for functions and events.



### We love the summer

DECATHLON love the Summer months... albeit the Bolton weather often putting a dampener on it!

But, we don't care about the weather, we have something for all conditions. Why not call in store and check out Bolton's largest indoor and outdoor tent showrooms. If you don't fancy camping, then test out a range of our bikes around the store.

We don't have water in store, but we do have kayaks that you can sit in, table tennis tables that you can play on or even a badminton court set up for a game against the kids! If you are a keen runner, why not call in for a FREE gait analysis and advice on the best running products to suit your running style.

Decathlon has a selection of their innovation products available to test in store which include the Soft Archery Set,

The Rollnet and the Badminton Easy Set.
On Wednesday 17 August, Decathlon will be hosting their first RUNNING SERIES 5K RACE from Leverhulme park. This is a FREE event for all the family with a great goodie bag - visit us at

www.decathlon.co.uk to sign up











## What's on at The Octagon Theatre







This summer we have an exciting new production of The Secret Garden, we turn our stage into a beach and we're gearing up for another exciting autumn season of shows.

#### The Secret Garden

Thu 11 - Sat 13 August

This classic novel, listed in the BBC's 'Big Reads' top 100 all-time favourite books, is brought to life in a brand-new adaptation by BAFTA-nominated writer, Janys Chambers.

Transporting us from the vibrancy of India to the Gothic mystery of a crumbling Yorkshire mansion, this sparkling production by some of our best young local actors tells the often funny, always moving story of a lonely, seemingly unlovable child who, in her search for 'a little bit of earth', transforms the lives of everyone around her. Tickets £6, octagonbolton.co.uk, 01204 520661

#### Join us at the Octagon Pleasure Beach!

Fri 26 - Mon 29 August

Grab a sun hat and get ready for a fabulous August bank holiday weekend, whatever the weather!

Come rain or shine, for the very first time we will be transforming the Octagon auditorium into a seaside pleasure beach where you can feel the sand between your toes while enjoying a whole host of free, fun activities for families. Who's for ice cream?

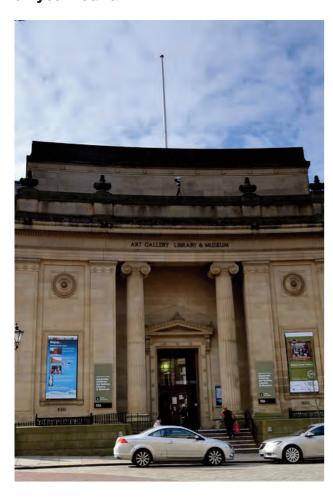
#### New season now on sale!

Our 2016/17 season is now on sale and includes bringing to life Harper Lee's beloved novel To Kill a Mockingbird, we celebrate the 400th year since Shakespeare's death with The Winter's Tale as well as our always popular festive show and this year we present the fairy tale classic Cinderella but with one big twist - this time...the rats are in charge!! For full listings visit

octagonbolton.co.uk.

## Central Library

Our central library and museum have family friendly events and exhibitions all year round.



Ranging from Egyptian mummies to local history and wildlife, Bolton's collection has something for everyone.

#### **Arty Babies**

A fortnightly group for babies and their families at Bolton Central Library and Museum, using the services' collections and resources to inspire creative play and sensory activities. Free entry, no need to book, just pop by. Arty Babies will meet at 10.30am on: Tuesday 2 August, Tuesday 16 August, Tuesday 30 August, Tuesday 13 September

#### We are Bolton exhibition

and Tuesday 27 September.

The 'We are Bolton' exhibition opens is a celebration of the people and places of Bolton. In 2015, the then Mayor of Bolton, Councillor Carole Swarbrick, invited photography students from the University of Bolton to go out and capture images which they thought reflected something important about Bolton now. The exhibition presents the results of that commission.

The exhibition also features photographs from the museum collection including celebrated names such as Humphrey Spender, John McDonald and Caroline Edge. Check out:

http://wearebolton.co.uk/

The exhibition runs until Friday 30 September. The museum is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 9am to 5pm, Wednesday 9.30am to 5pm and Sunday 10am to 4pm.

#### **Toddler Tales**

Join us every Friday at 11am for free storytelling sessions for children and their mums, dads and carers, ideal for under 5s. Sessions take place at all Bolton libraries throughout the week. Contact any Bolton library for details. Admission is free.

#### Film screenings

A range of classic, blockbuster and family films for free at Bolton Central Library and Museum.

Pearl Harbour – Wed 27 July, 2pm. Watch Oscar-winning war film 'Pearl Harbor' with subtitles for deaf and hard of hearing. The film is directed by Michael Bay and stars Ben Affleck. Light refreshments for sale. Free, no need to book.

#### Super Saturday it's Circus time

Roll up, roll up, come and join the circus with free activities for the family.

- Fish Feed: 11am (Aquarium)
- Balloon modelling: 11am 2.30pm (Bolton Lives Gallery)

### What will you ask our balloon modeller to make for you?

- Circus craft: 11.30am 12.30pm (Bolton Lives Gallery)
   Join us for a circus act craft
   inspired by Bolt Stamps from
   the museum's collection. Circus
   skills drop in session: 12pm 2.30pm (Lecture Theatre 2)
   Skylight Circus Arts will be here
   to teach you some circus skills.
- Catch!: 1.30pm 3pm (Learning Studio 1) Make your own juggling balls. Storytelling: 3pm -3.30pm (Children's Library)
   Come rain or shine we will always have a story or two. It takes place on Saturday 30 July, 11am to 3.30pm and admission is free.



### Bolton's Local Plan for Health and Care is

all about our vision for how we want to improve our local health and social care picture...



280,582 Live in Bolton

17% of Bolton's population are 65 and over



Dementia
in over 65s is expected
to grow to...

35.9%





disease



picture of...

health and

social care

in Bolton

Bolton has a higher rate of infant mortality

emergency admissions for

65 and over

The proportion of

than the regional and national average. On average Bolton has

18 infant deaths per year

B 8 %

The proportion of Bolton children that are

children that are

obese
at reception age.
Even more are

OVERWEIGHT



4,278

The number of Bolton People with a 50% chance of being admitted to hospital next year.

Over 65s spending almost...



3 times longer than those under 65

20,500

older people in Bolton have some social care need

80/ Bolton's births... are low birth weight



## Help for empty homes and landlords

If you're a landlord you can get help looking after your property or if you've got a home that's been empty for a while the council can help get it back into use.

### **Empty Homes celebrates** first year success

If you have an empty home in your portfolio - a residential property that has stood vacant for more than six months - or know of one in your area, you should get in touch with the council for help and guidance.
Empty homes can bring

the appeal of an area down or attract antisocial behaviour - and cost the owner a lot of money. An empty property can cost up to £7000 a year in lost rent, taxes and other charges.

The Bolton Council Empty Homes initiative has been set up to help owners make the best use of properties and help people find new places to live in Bolton. The Empty Homes Team can work with owners to discuss and consider their options such as whether to rent or sell the property.

If you have an empty property and want to sell it the Matchmaker Scheme brings together owners of empties and people or com-

panies who are looking to invest in Bolton property. The website has a regularly updated list of opportunities and investors.

"Empty homes can become a real problem in an area as well as for the property owner," said Councillor Nick Peel, Executive Cabinet Member Environmental Services.

"By working with property owners through the Matchmaker scheme we've been able to bring empty homes back into use. The



scheme has just celebrated its first birthday and has brought more than 56% of all the properties registered with it back into use. If you own a property that is standing empty and are having trouble selling it or renting it, please contact

For more information and advice on managing Empty Homes or to register for the Matchmaker Scheme please visit the Bolton Council website www.bolton.gov.uk - or call 01204 335752.

#### Smoke alarms law

The introduction of the Deregulation Act on 1st October 2015 ruled that smoke alarms must be provided in all rental properties and on every floor where people

The new law also states that if a landlord rents out a property that does not have working smoke alarms in all residential areas they could receive a Penalty Charge of up to £5000.

The alarm must be in good working order and well positioned - no closer than 30cm from any wall or light fitting. It is recommended that all battery detectors are of sealed tamper-proof design with integrated 10 year life battery. you live in a House in Multiple Occupation such

as bedsits, shared houses or flats the requirements for smoke alarms and fire safety differ and specific advice should be sought.

Landlords also need to check that every smoke alarm is working at the beginning of each tenancy and should be signed for in an inventory or checking in list to make sure the tenant is confident they have a working alarm. Landlords can choose a free smoke detector as a welcome gift if they join the Bolton Landlord Accreditation Scheme.

For more information about fire safety or to discuss any issues you can contact the Housing Standards Team on 01204 336500 or email housingstandards@bolton.gov.uk

#### Landlords: join the LAS

The Landlord Accreditation Scheme (LAS) understands that the range of landlords working within Bolton varies so welcomes applications from:

- Those who have a large portfolio or only manage a single property
- Those that are also members of other professional local or national associations
- Those that use a lettings agent to manage their

#### Benefits to joining include:

- · Assistance with specific tenancy or property management queries
- Access to a range of landlord forums and other events to improve knowledge and skills
- Free advertising of your properties online on the Pinpoint Greater Manchester Choice Based Lettings Service - giving you access to more than 100,000
- Help with accessing council services such as Housing Advice or Council Tax

Joining could not be simpler – you can or request a copy of the application form from the Accreditation Scheme or download one from www.bolton.gov.uk/LAS

- All you will need to provide is:

   Your contact details and details of any joint owners or
- The addresses of your Bolton properties
- A current Gas Safety certificate (if gas supplied) and EPC for each property
- A blank sample copy of the Tenancy Agreement you use
- An Electrical Safety Certificate for each property during the membership term

As a welcome reward, the LAS is offering new members the choice of a number of incentives for one of your rented Bolton properties:

- Free Electrical Installation Condition Report
- Free smoke detector
- Free Carbon Monoxide Alarm
- Free Gas Safety Check
- Free installed freestanding electric cooker/selected furniture item (if you advertise a property on Pinpoint within the first six months of membership)



For more information about the the Bolton Council website or call Sarah Lowe on 01204 335777.

### Meet your councillors...

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## Bolton's role in the Battle of the Somme

Since 2013 Bolton Archives and Local Studies Service has overseen a remembrance project to create and develop a database recording the names of as many servicemen from the Borough of Bolton who served or died in the First World War. With the help of our volunteers, it has collated information from war memorials, books of remembrance. rolls of honour, local newspapers and official records across the borough.

THE Battle of the Somme was one of the largest battles in the First World War lasting from July 1, 1916 - November 18, 1916.

Unfortunately we do not know how many men from Bolton took part in the battle. Some men and women are not included on memorials or rolls of honour and others appear several times. At the moment it is thought around 3300

people from Bolton died throughout the war.

The Thiepval Memorial to the Missing of the Somme in France has 262 names of soldiers who may have been from Bolton.

The battle was the British Army's major offensive on the Western Front in 1916. The first day has been seen as typical of the war with men coming out of the trenches and walking through no man's land to be attacked by machine gun fire and shells.

Among those from Bolton who we do know who took part are Fred May who survived; George Priestley Townend and 2nd Lieutenant Alex Cleg who both died on the first day; and Sgt Walter Carr who died on 15 November a few days before the end of the battle.

Gunner Fred May was born 31 October 1897 and attended Sunning Hill School. He enlisted on 6th October 1914, aged 16 years 11 months and spent two months in the Royal Army Medical Corps before volunteering for the Royal Field Artillery.

He served in every big

battle from the Battle of the Somme in July 1916 until the third Battle of Ypres 1917. He was discharged due to wounds and gas poisoning on 26 April 1918. He won the Star, Victory and British War Medals and the Silver War Badge (No404754) to wear due to his disability.

Alex was born in Bolton

in 1892 and went to Sunninghill Primary School and Bolton Municipal Secondary Modern. He worked as a teacher before joining the Lancashire Fusiliers in

George was born in Bolton in 1893 and served with the 15th Battalion West Yorkshire Regiment was killed in action on 1st July

1916 He is buried in Serre Road Cemetery no. 1, Pas de Calais, France,

Sgt Carr of the 10th Battalion Loyal North Lancashire Regiment was 22 years old when he died. Most Boltonians served with this regiment during the war.

The library's database is available online for those interested in finding out more information about First World War soldiers: http://boltonremembers.



IN HONOUR: The Mayor of Bolton, Cllr Lynda Byrne lays a wreath in memory of the fallen of the Somme with (inset) gunner Fred May

## Have you received good customer care?

**Nominations** opened for this year's Best Customer award for council staff.

The award is for the person, team or project that has gone the extra mile to deliver outstanding service to customers.





**CUSTOMER WINNER:** Mark Crowder (right) receives the 2015 award from the News Editor of the Bolton News at the time, Steve

It can big or small, someone who helps a customer everyday or an act of kind-

The public and council staff can nominate and will be able to vote for the winner in November.

Last vear's winner was Mark Črowder, an NVQ Administrator Business Support for Children's and Adult Services.

Mark spotted a man in a high visibility jacket walking along the railway track next to the Castle Hill centre. He noticed it was the wrong colour jacket for the

Thanks to Mark's quick thinking and prompt action, a message was sent to the driver of an oncoming train, which was stopped just metres from the signal the man had climbed, averting a potential disaster. When the police arrived, they and Mark managed to get the man to safety.

Previous winners have included the Re-ablement service which helps adults after they've been ill; Ann Brown and her team at Blackrod Library who sup-port Blackrod Scarecrow Festival; and Kayley Mabon, Children and Families Worker, who runs groups at Little Lever Children Centre for parents and children.

To nominate please complete the attached form and send it to Bolton's Best, Room 118, Castle Hill Centre, Castleton Street, Bolton BL2 2JW.

Best Customer Care is one of nine Bolton's Best awards with council staff nominating in the other categories. The council's IT supplier, Agilisys has once again agreed to be a sponsor enabling us to cover the costs of running the

The winners will be announced in December.

#### **Best Customer Care 2016** Nominations have opened for this year's Best Customer

Care award for council staff.

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Who are you nominating? Please provide details of the person you are nominating.

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Are you happy for the person you are nominating to know your name and see your comments?

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Why are they Bolton's Best?

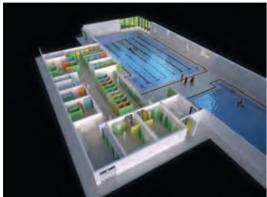
Tell us why you think your nominations are Bolton's Best. If

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## Exciting investment in the heart of Horwich

It's all happening in Horwich. Almost £20 million investment is being pumped into the town by Bolton Council and its partners between now and 2018. Here is a flavour of the exciting developments and projects...

### Flagship new leisure centre gets go-ahead



Plans for a new £10 million leisure centre in Horwich can now race ahead after they were approved by the council's planning committee on May 12.

The current leisure centre will be replaced with a new facility on the car park of the existing site in Victoria Road.

Work to create temporary car

parking spaces around the centre has started.

There'll be no excuse not to get fit and healthy as the new centre will include a 25-metre, six lane, pool with a separate training pool, a 100-station fitness suite, spin and dance studios, a four-court sports hall, changing facilities and new car parking.

The council has also doubled the number of spectator seats at the pool following consultation with users and swimming clubs about poolside seating, so all the family can share the atmosphere of this fantastic facility. Watch out for galas being held at the centre in the future.

Leader of Bolton Council, Cllr Cliff Morris, said: "This is hugely important for Horwich and when the work is complete there will be a fantastic new facility for the whole of the west of the borough to use for many years to come.

"The new leisure centre will be more efficient in its use of space. We also

made changes to the plans, to offer more poolside seats, and will continue to talk to user groups because they are crucial to the centre. "Once this and the health centre scheme are complete, this will be a flagship health and wellbeing hub in Horwich."

Bolton Community Leisure Trust will take over the running of the centre and will keep residents and users up

keep residents and users up to date with the timetable for construction.

The existing centre will continue to run until the new facility opens.

#### New health super-centre on track

Healthcare in the town has also been given a shot in the arm, with outline plans for a new £6.8 million health centre - to be built opposite the leisure centre - also approved on May 12. Three Horwich GP practices: Bolton Community Practice, Kildonan House and Pike View Medical Centre will relocate from their current premises into one building.

Moving together into new, purpose built premises will allow the surgeries to extend their range of services to the local community. A full planning application for the health centre is expected to be submitted in the next six months.

#### Improved day care facilities

We're also looking after some of our older and more vulnerable residents with a £1 million refurbishment of the Brazley Centre, off Cedar Grove.

When the new hub is open, two services will be delivered under one roof: older adults' day care provision will move from its current home in the nearby former Brazley Library, plus day care provision for adults with learning difficulties from its temporary home at The Hilton Suite in Horwich Leisure Centre.

The building is now being used as a community centre and this element will remain once the refurbishment is complete. Work is well underway and we expect the new centre to be open later this Summer.

#### Modern pitch for the next generation

Horwich residents could well be the most active in the borough as a new £500,000 3G pitch will be developed on Old Station Park.

Work on the redevelopment should be completed in 2017 and will complement the new leisure and health centres.

"The new pitch is really great news for Horwich. Investing in sports at a grassroots level is key to encouraging all ages – especially young people – to get involved in sport and improve their fitness and overall health," said Cllr Morris

#### **Horwich Festival of Racing**

The annual festival doubled in size this year thanks to support from the council.

The two day event saw a variety of running, cycling and triathlon events for people of all abilities.

Unique events included a unicycle race, and the festival has grown to become one of the most popular events in the north west.





## Investing in communities at Hulton Lane

**FOUR** community projects have had £114,787 boost thanks to the council's Community Empowerment Fund.

#### **Castle Hill**

Castle Hill Wrestling Club has been awarded funding of £33,000 to set up a wrestling club for children from the ages of five upwards. The club, called Future Heroes will teach children the basics of wrestling, but will also healthy eating and nu-trition. The funding will help the club to find and train volunteers, with the aim of becoming financially sustainable in the future.

#### Kearsley

Kearsley Youth Brass Band, has received £20,000 to provide a programme of musical activities designed

to help children, young people and their families, to raise their aspirations and gain new skills and confi-

#### Gateway

A third project to receive funding is the Gateway Community Support Group, which has been given £40,000 to provide a programme of after school and weekend learning support sessions; English and numeracy classes; youth sport activities; interpretation and translation services and a conversation café for refugees and asylum seekers in Bolton.

#### **Johnson Fold**

Finally, the council has also awarded £21,787 to Johnson Fold Community Action Group for a range of training and development opportunities that introduces a new and different style of youth work, delivering new activities in various locations in and around Johnson Fold estate.

The funding will be used to target young people and their families aged 10 to 25, especially those with special needs and chaotic lifestyles.

The £500,000 Community Empowerment Fund was launched in November 2014, to reduce demand on council services and to enable local volunteers, community groups and businesses to become more involved in improving their local area.

Further information on how to apply please visit www.bolton.gov.uk/cef

Councillor Cliff Morris, Leader of Bolton Council said: "We are really pleased to announce this funding for a further four sets of projects across the borough. All of these groups have come up with ideas that will reduce demand on council services, but also will address existing and emerging issues across the borough, by providing new services for young people or making improvements to the environment.

## Kick off for first half

THE first stage of £820,000 development of new facilities at Hulton Lane Playing Fields is complete.

completed Work has on two adult pitches, one youth pitch and one junior pitch to meet new FA guidelines, drainage, a new area for younger children, a new toddler and junior children's play area, new tarmac footpaths.

The next stage will include new changing rooms and toilets, and improvements to the car park.

The scheme is part of

a £2m investment programme, in which the council is investing in local sports and recreational facilities across the borough.

Hulton Lane will offer year-round opportunities for both adults and young people to take part in sport.



HULTON LANE: Cllr Nick Peel at the new play facilities with Zaara Sheikh, 2 and Rohaan Sheikh, 6

#### TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES AND RESTRICTIONS

THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF BOLTON ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION (SPECIAL EVENTS) ACT 1994 SECTION 16A

THE FOOD AND DRINK FESTIVAL (VARIOUS ROADS, BOLTON) (TEMPORARY CLOSURES, RESTRICTIONS AND SUSPENSIONS) (NO. 48) ORDER 2016

The Borough Council of Bolton has made an Order, which will enable the Food and Drink Festival to take place on the roads specified below, between 6:00am Monday 22nd August 2016 and 6:00pm Tuesday 30th August 2016.

#### **TEMPORARY CLOSURES:**

This order will prevent all vehicular traffic from being in, stopping, standing, waiting, loading or un-loading or otherwise remaining at rest in the roads indicated

Le Mans Crescent from Howell Croft North to Howell Croft South;

Deansgate from Market Street to Knowsley Street; Howell Croft North from Back Deansgate to Le Mans Crescent:

Ashburner Street from Queen Street to Howell Croft South:

Howell Croft South from Ashburner Street to Victoria Square South:

Coronation Street from Victoria Square South to the Newport Arcade;

Victoria Square North from Le Mans Crescent to Victoria Square;

Victoria Square South from Le Mans Crescent to Coronation Street;

Corporation Street from Knowsley Street to Bridge Street:

Market Street from Corporation Street to Hotel Street; Lorne Street between Bridge Street and Market Street;

#### **TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF ONE-WAY TRAFFIC MOVEMENT:**

Blackhorse Street between Ashburner Street and Deansgate:

Queen Street between Ashburner Street and Back Deansgate;

Back Deansgate between Queen Street and Howell Croft North;

Hotel Street between Market Street and Mealhouse Lane:

Mealhouse Lane between Hotel Street and Deansgate; Coronation Street between the Newport Arcade and Great Moor Street;

#### **TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF CONTR-FLOW BUS LANE:**

Blackhorse Street between Deansgate and Ashburner Street:

#### **TEMPORARY HACKNEY CARRIAGE STANDS TO BE ESTABLISHED**

Deansgate: from 14m west of Howell Croft North for 25 m in a westerly direction;

Deansgate: from 60 m west of Howell Croft North for 20 m in a westerly direction

#### **PERIOD OF RESTRICTIONS**

The closures will run between 6:00am Monday 22nd August 2016 to 6:00pm Tuesday 30th August 2016.

Alternative diversion routes will be signposted. This Order will cease to have effect at approximately 6.00pm on Tuesday 30th August 2016.

Dated this 8th August 2016

Stephen Young Director of Place The Wellsprings Bolton BL1 1US www.bolton.gov.uk/trafficorders

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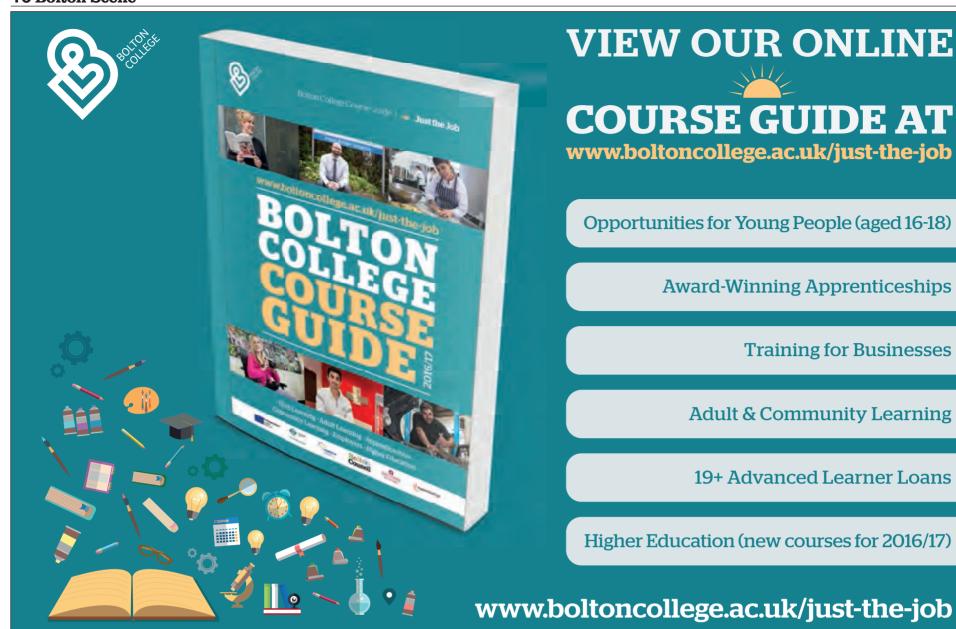
With an annual events calendar, offering some of the north west's best events, including one of the UK's biggest Food and Drink Festivals each August Bank Holiday, the world's largest IronKids and the Ironman UK Triathlon... you're guaranteed a great day out whatever the weather!

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