

Hampshire County Councillor Report

July 2022

Classical Concerts at the Royal Victoria Country Park

Experience the sounds of high quality chamber music with a new programme of concerts in the beautifully renovated chapel at [Royal Victoria Country Park](#), where [Wessex Sinfonietta](#) has just been appointed resident orchestra <https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/29062022Chapelconcert>

Childcare over the Summer holidays

Details of Ofsted registered childcare, activities and leisure services (and lots more information for families), can be found in the Hampshire Family and Information Services Hub directory: fish.hants.gov.uk

If your child who has a special educational need or disability, then check out services with a Local Offer flag. For further details on how your child will be supported: <http://fish.hants.gov.uk/.../directory/localoffer.page...>

If you need help with paying for childcare go to www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/ Not able to find the childcare services you need? Use our Childcare Request Form: <http://childrenshampshirecc.researchfeedback.net/s.asp...> or email childcare@hants.gov.uk for further assistance.

Supported Transport Consultation

If you use Dial-a-Ride, Call and Go or Taxishare services in your local community or hold a Concessionary Travel bus pass you will want to know about changes we are proposing to our financial support for these schemes. Our consultation is open until Sunday 24 July.

The proposals seek to continue to deliver effective services, within a reduced budget, through:

- Making operational changes to supported passenger transport services (including supported bus services, Dial-a-Ride, Call & Go, Taxishare and Minibus Group Hire services)
- Removing some discretionary enhancements to the Concessionary Travel Scheme currently funded by the County Council, including, for example, no longer providing taxi vouchers as an alternative to a Disabled Person's Bus Pass
- Increasing the contributions users pay for some services, eg. introducing a £1 fare for all Taxishare services and increasing the charge for replacing lost and

damaged bus passes. There is no charge for replacing a stolen pass. The consultation is available here: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/.../consulta.../passenger-transport>

Defibrillators at our Household Waste Recycling Centres

Hampshire County Council has announced that life-saving defibrillators will be available soon at all 24 HWRCs. The sites are run by the private contractor Veolia, on behalf of the county council and are visited by over 1.5m residents every year. Having this equipment available to use in an emergency could help to save lives.