



# CARA Bulletin

9 February 2019

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## Local issues

- **Litter enforcement.** B&NES Council has advised that specialist officers are set to help tackle litter following the award of a new Environmental Crime and Enforcement contract to company 3GS. From March 1<sup>st</sup>, litter and dog fouling enforcement officers will work across B&NES and will issue Fixed Penalty Notices (FPN) to people who deliberately litter streets, parks and public places.

Under the 12-month agreement, which is at zero cost to the council, 3GS enforcement officers will work from 7am to 7pm seven days a week. It is operating a fixed fee model, which limits what 3GS can earn from the enforcement contract. Any funds received above cost will be passed on to the council or used by 3GS for education and promotional purposes.

Last July the council adopted the maximum £150 FPN for dropping litter, including cigarette ends and people, caught on camera, throwing litter from vehicles. Anyone caught fly-tipping in the area can be issued with a FPN up to £400.

For full details, please visit: <http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/latestnews/council-awards-litter-enforcement-contract-3gs>.

- **CARA Litter Pick.** On Sunday 7th April, we are planning a litter-pick around the CARA streets of Upper Town, Bath. We have the support of the Council who are providing equipment including day-glo tabards, sacks, gloves etc. We meet on The Circus Green at 10am for about 90 minutes, or so. Our litter pick last year was a great success with 13 volunteers. Would you be interested? E-mail: [barry@barrygilbertson.com](mailto:barry@barrygilbertson.com). See you there!
- **Road re-surfacing.** We understand that B&NES will be re-surfacing The Circus road surface during the summer. This is likely to involve the closure of The Circus for one week. Full details are awaited; we shall circulate these to members when received.



- **Consultation on Joint Local Transport Plan (JLTP).** People are invited to give their views on the vision for the future of travel and transport across the West of England up to 2036, through a public consultation.

As well as a questionnaire, there is an online priority simulator tool, in which people can indicate their transport priorities and choose options for funding the improvements they suggest.

The JLTP is being led by the West of England Combined Authority, working with B&NES, Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire councils. It sets out the approach to the way transport will develop up to 2036 in the West of England.

### Have your say

If you would like to view/comment on the consultation, please visit: <https://www.westofengland-ca.gov.uk/joint-local-transport-plan-goes-consultation/>

Please note: The consultation closes on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

## CARA social events

- **Ladies social:** CARA Ladies meet on the last Thursday of each month at Hall and Woodhouse. Starts at 6pm. No need to book; just turn up. Please feel free to bring your friends (CARA membership not essential).
- **Annual General Meeting:** Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30pm for 7.00pm at the Royal Pavilion Café in Victoria Park. Complimentary drink on arrival. Finger buffet and pay bar after the short business of the meeting. Come and discuss the priorities on which you would like your Committee to focus in 2019/20.

## Volunteer opportunity

- After four years on the Committee, with responsibility for leading all our social activities, **Jackie Hampton** will be stepping down ahead of her move away from Bath. Jackie's departure means that we will have a vacancy on the CARA Committee for a new Social Secretary.
- Could it be YOU?
- Are you a good social organizer?
- Do you like getting people together?
- Can you make friends easily?
- Please ping an e-mail to our Chairman on [barry@barrygilbertson.com](mailto:barry@barrygilbertson.com) if you would like to help us, and all CARA members with this vitally important role. Training will be given if required.

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