

Report from NNDC Councillor Vincent FitzPatrick March 2016

NNDC Budget 2016/17

At the its meeting on 23 February 2016, NNDC set is budget for 2016/17. There is no increase in NNDC Council Tax.

Easter Sports and Countryside Events

A programme of activities and events for the Easter Holidays is available from the NNDC website: https://www.northnorfolk.org/sports/docs/Sports_and_countryside_brochure_easter_2016.pdf

Department of Work and Pensions move to NNDC Offices

Better services and better value for money will result from the Department for Work and Pensions move to North Norfolk District Council's offices in Holt Road, Cromer.

The 14-strong team moved into the building on Monday 11 January 2016 and started to run their services from the Council offices on the same day.

A total of 170m² of office space was created by moving teams within the existing building and reducing the need for storage space. This has enabled the DWP to have their own public waiting area, and for DWP clients to use the Council's self-serve computers to access services directly.

The DWP's move provides an opportunity to bring services together in one location. It will also help to reduce the cost of services by sharing the building.

Big Society Fund Grants – Reminder

North Norfolk District Council (NNDC) is keen to support town and parish councils, community groups and organisations.

NNDC's Big Society Fund offers grants of up to £15,000 to voluntary and community organisations based within north Norfolk; including town and parish councils, and has been set up to help build strong communities across the district.

If you know of any community groups who would like to apply, please get them to get in touch with NNDC (via Sonia Shuter tel. 01263 516173, email supporting.communities@north-norfolk.gov.uk) or visit www.northnorfolk.org/big society fund

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