



HTC BIG LOCAL NEWSLETTER²⁰²⁵

Hill Top and Caldwell Big Local is one of 150 areas across the country to receive £1million of National Lottery funding to deliver a 10 year programme. We are now in our last year of activity, with lots of activities on offer for residents.



Social Walk

A weekly social walk around Wembrook Woods.

Monday's 12.30pm - 1.30pm.

Meet at HTC hub at 12.30pm

or at the entrance to Wembrook Woods (Donnithorne avenue) at 12.45pm

The Hub is open before and after for refreshments.

Everyone is welcome

The route is accessible for wheelchairs, scooters and pushchairs.

Under 18's will need to be accompanied by an adult.

All you need is comfortable walking shoes and a waterproof coat.

Each week we will take a gentle walk from the HTC hub down to and around Wembrook Woods.

Keen naturalists can help us spot wildlife and observe spring coming in together.

If the weather isn't on our side we'll meet at the hub for a warm drink and alternative activities.

The group has been supported by Think Active and the Mason Foundation, Community Mile Walk. Walk leaders have completed safeguarding and first aid training.



The group will also be supported by Warwickshire Wildlife Trust who will attend a monthly walk to help us to identify wildlife and things to be on the look out for.



**Warwickshire
Wildlife Trust**



**The
Mason
Foundation**

food festival

Volunteers and friends of the HTC Hub will be hosting a food festival at the Hub.

We are looking for fellow foodies!

If you have some family favourites, inspiring healthy meals or traditional dishes from across the world that you could share with the community, we would love to hear from you.

Email - sarah.deeming@wcava.org.uk or text 07939510344



There is no date set for the event yet, we would like to work with local people to organise an event that welcomes people from different cultures to offer a diverse and delicious spread for local people to try, to learn more about and to appreciate the cultural diversities that make up our community.

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WHAT'S ON AT THE HUB

Warm Hub

**Monday's
8.30-12pm**

**Pop in anytime before
12pm for a hot drink,
sausage or bacon
sarnie, porridge or toast.
Donations taken.**



Social brew

**Join us at The Hub every
Tuesday from 1-3pm for a
cuppa and a chat.**

**Everyone is welcome.
Access information about
local services and
activities.**

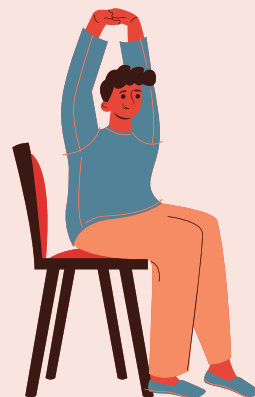


Both sessions are currently free,
funded by HTC Big Local and are
suitable for beginners, everyone
is welcome to come along and
have a go.

**Monday's
6pm - 6.45pm
45 minute introductory session**

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**Tuesday's
12.15pm - 12.45pm
Chair yoga
30 minute introductory session**



Social Walk

**Join us on Monday's at 12.30pm for a walk from The
Hub to Wembrook Woods, check out page 2 for the
full details.**

Starting 26th March

**A slow cooking course will run
for 4 weeks at
The Hub, from 11am - 12.30pm**

**There are limited spaces,
contact Sarah to book on -
07939510344**



Bringing Vaccinations Closer To Our Patients

Nuneaton & Bedworth PCN has been proud to support a new NHS England funded project aimed at improving childhood immunisation rates across our communities, with a special focus on increasing uptake of the MMR vaccine.

One of our chosen locations being Hilltop - The Big Local (HTC), which has provided a great place for parents and their little ones alike to pop in, update records, receive outstanding immunisations and generally discuss all things vaccine related.

How It has worked

Children needing vaccinations have been identified through practice systems, and parents have been personally contacted by our administrators to arrange appointments nearby community locations. Each clinic has been staffed by two experienced nurses, ready to not only administer vaccinations but also answer any questions parents/ carers may have with the aim of creating a warm, welcoming environment where families feel supported.

Flexible and Family-Friendly

We understand the needs of busy families, which is why clinic times are carefully planned around nursery and school schedules.

We look forward to welcoming parents/ carers and their brave little ones to our clinics, where of course every child will receive a well-earned sticker for their courage.

See our website for more information www.nuneatonandbedworthpcn.co.uk, and also keep your eyes on our social media both on our GP Practice and PCN Facebook pages. You can also call us on: 07572843521, and tell us you would like information about the Immunisation Clinics

Together, let's ensure our community stays healthy and protected.

WARM HUBS FREE SLOW COOKING COURSE

Slow cooking is an easy way to make tasty, healthy meals and save £££ on your energy costs and food bills too. Whether you live alone or have a family to feed, love cooking or have never had the confidence to try, this fun course is for you!



- FREE 4 week demonstration course including starter, mains & pudding
- FREE slow cooker, weekly ingredients & recipes to take home and make yourself
- FREE energy saving/home safety pack with carbon monoxide alarm
- Enjoy FREE refreshments & meet new people in small course group (12 max)



Places are limited so book your place on our course now!



These slow cooking courses are provided thanks to a collaboration between



Immunisation hub dates:

All dates are Wednesday's 1-5pm

23rd April

21st May

4th June

11th June

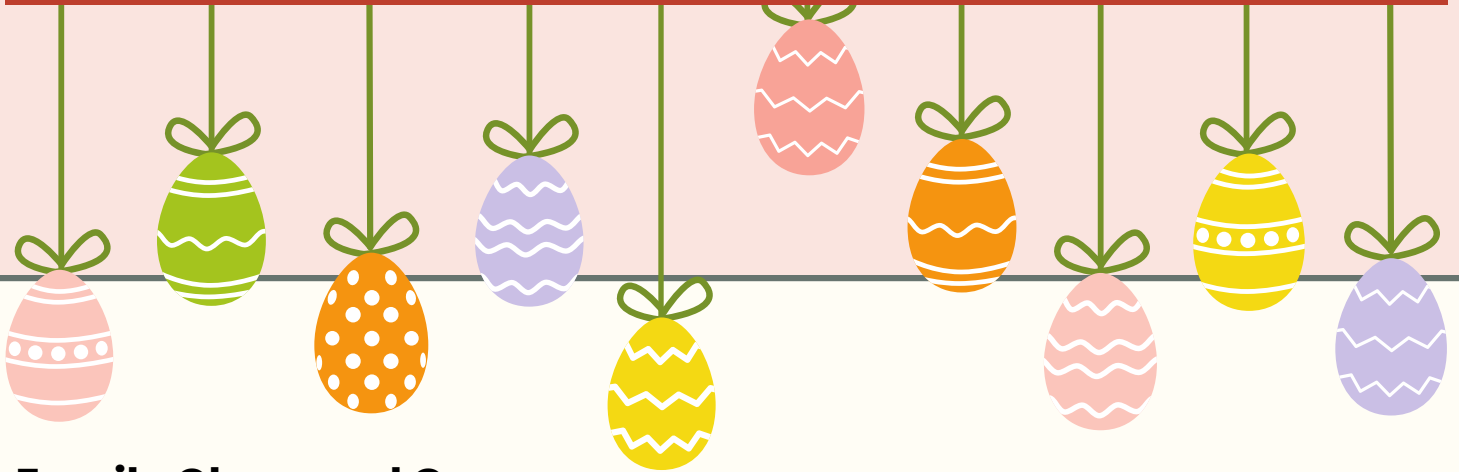
2nd July

9th July

6th August

20th August

EASTER HALF TERM



Family Clean and Green

Monday 14th April 14:00 – 15:00 Join Rosie and Katie from Warwickshire Wildlife Trust to do something mega for nature this Easter!

We'll do half an hour litter pick followed by time to plant seeds that can be taken away to grow in your garden as well as entering a sunflower race by planting a giant sunflower seed which Rosie will keep safe for you!

The litter pick will be a timed 30 minutes with prizes for the most litter collected! Free event including hot drinks, squash, biscuits and an easter treat! Children must be accompanied by an adult, at all times. Email Rosie at rosie.charter@wkwt.org.uk or book on Eventbrite by searching the activity title!



Warwickshire
Wildlife Trust



Wembrook Explorers

with Warwickshire Wildlife Trust at Donnithorne Woods, 11-12pm

Sessions are ideal for primary school aged children and families.

Tuesday 15th April – Brilliant Birds session

All FREE but booking essential, scan the QR code and search the event.

Crafts with Creation station

Thursday 17th April | 2-3pm

Suitable for children and young people | £1 per person



Easter multicultural celebration

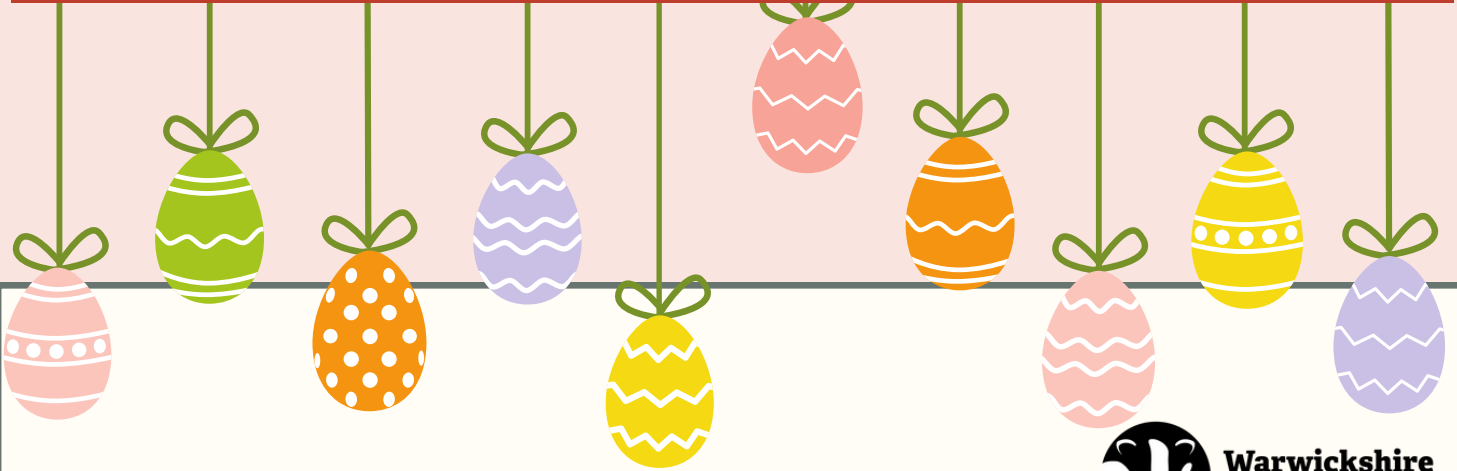
Friday 18th April | 11 – 1pm | HTC Hub, Donnithorne Avenue

We would love to hear about your traditions for celebrating Easter, so that we can share these with the community at our event. Share your favourite activities with us via email to sarah.deeming@wcava.org.uk or text/whatsapp 07939510344.

Free entry | cake stall, tombola and refreshments for sale.

Activities for all ages.

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Tuesday 22nd April – Art in the Wild session

All FREE but booking essential: www.warwickshirewildlifetrust.org.uk/events



Warwickshire
Wildlife Trust

Young people's TRIP to Woodlands Adventure

Thursday 24th April

For ages 10-16 Time: 9-5pm

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Places are free but are limited, booking is essential. Trip is funded by HTC Big Local
To book on contact Sam at sam@aspireinarts.org or call 07955204216

Crafts with Creation station

Thursday 24th April | 2-3pm

Suitable for children and young people
£1 per person



Adults Paint and Sip

Friday 25th April | 7-9pm

£1 per person



1 glass of bubbles provided. No experience needed, Sharon will guide you through the workshop and help you to create a masterpiece to take home!

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WHAT'S ON AT THE HUB

Thursday's are fitness days!

The Hub is open every Thursday from 10am - 12pm for coffee, chats and gentle exercise (always optional).

Join Think Active on the first Thursday of the month for tasters in seated gentle exercise.



The other Thursday's you'll be joined by Positive Impact's Regenerate programme; a morning of socialising, light physical activities, games and refreshments.

POSITIVE IMPACT
Foundation

REGENERATE

COMMUNITY SESSION

No need to book; come and join us for a morning of socialising, light physical activities, games and free refreshments every Thursday.

SESSION DETAILS

- HTC Big Local Hub
- Thursdays
- 10am - 12pm
- Free
- AGE: Adults 50+

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Coming up at The Hub...

Taster sessions in activities that support healing and well-being, including Indian head massage and reiki.

Keep an eye on our Facebook page!





Local Trust Big Local



Hill Top Explorers

School Holiday Sessions for the whole family!

Join Warwickshire Wildlife Trust for free wildlife-themed sessions with woodland games & crafts

Ideal for primary school age children and their grown-ups.

Meet us in Donnithorne Woods, off Donnithorne Avenue, turn left just after Wembrook Community Centre, onto the footpath and then into the small woodland next to the Wem Brook.

Free but booking essential

Tuesdays 11am - 12pm



Tuesday 18th February - Magical Woodlands

Join us to create magic potions, mud trolls and fairy houses

Tuesday 15th April - Brilliant Birds

Come along to look for birds with our binoculars and make a treat for the birds to take home.

Tuesday 22nd April - Art in the Wild

We'll be outside making art out of nature, making mud paint and exploring the colour of outdoors.

Tuesday 27th May - Outdoor Survival

Come learn how to make your own safe fire, using firestriking skills before toasting a marshmallow and heating up hot water for a drink.



Bring wellies if you want to paddle in the stream!!!



BOOK ONLINE: warwickshirewildlifetrust.org.uk/events
Or CALL: 02476 302 912

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YOUTH CLUBS

FEMALE ONLY YOUTH CLUB

HTC BIG LOCAL HUB, DONNITHORNE AVENUE, CV10 7AF

TUESDAYS

3.30PM - 5PM

Sports, games & physical activities.

Crafts, quizzes, rewards & socialising.

FEMALE ONLY SESSION.

DBS, First Aid and SEND trained staff.

Just turn up, details taken on first visit.

Ages 11-16 & FREE to attend.

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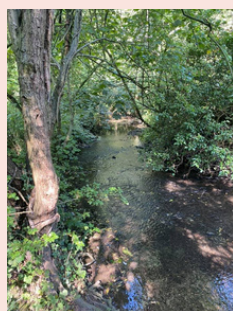


Warwickshire Wildlife Trust



Warwickshire Wildlife Trust have been commissioned by HTC Big Local to continue their work in Hill Top and Caldwell until September 2025. Lee and Rosie will be working in the HTC area to connect to more people; learning about our passions, wishes and worries for the environment and will be offering well-being activities, connecting us more with nature for the sake of our health. They will also be working with residents and other services in the area to improve local green spaces. You might meet Lee on his door knocking rounds or find Rosie at one of our social walks (page 2), to find out what they are up to or to book on to any of their activities scan the QR code.

Date	Time	Activity	Details
Monday 17th March	12.30 - 2pm	Rosie joins the weekly Social Walk as expert guest!	A canal walk with nature in mind, we'll pause to look at things along the way with a longer stop at the halfway point. Meet at Hub.
Monday 24th March	5.30 - 7pm	Gardening for Nature group	An opportunity for those keen on gardening for nature to come together to share tips and tricks and explore ways of bringing more nature into Hilltop! Meet at Hub
Monday 31st March	10-12pm	Grow together at Warm Hub	Sow seeds and grow plants that will feed butterflies and bees. Learn new ways to bring more nature into your garden. Meet at Hub - drop-in session, come any time between 10am and 12pm
Monday 31st March	2-3pm	Litter pick	Meeting at the hub, we'll do a timed 30-minute litter pick. How many bags can we fill before the gong sounds?! Free cuppa and cake to finish as a reward for our hard work!
Friday 11th April	1.30-3pm	BioBlitz at the end of Dorlecote Rd	Meeting at the grassland at the end of Dorlecote Rd. Learn how to identify wildflowers, plants, trees, shrubs, and bugs and look for signs of other wildlife too. Find out about free phone apps you can download to tell you what's-what when you're out and about. Be a part of citizen science and help add to one huge list of every living thing we spot so we can find out how much nature there is right on our doorsteps and what it tells us about the health of the area! Drop-in session, come any time between 1:30pm and 3pm and stay for as long as you'd like. Free hot drinks available.
Monday 14th April	2-3pm	Family Clean and Green - for all ages!!	Join Rosie and Katie from Warwickshire Wildlife Trust to do something mega for nature this Easter! We'll do half an hour litter pick followed by time to plant seeds that can be taken away to grow in your garden as well as entering a sunflower race by planting a giant sunflower seed which Rosie will keep safe for you! The litter pick will be a timed 30 minutes with prizes for the most litter collected! Free event including hot drinks, squash, biscuits and an Easter treat! Children must be accompanied by an adult, at all times.
Monday 28th April	10-12pm	Grow Together at Warm Hub	Sow seeds and grow plants that will feed butterflies and bees. Learn new ways to bring more nature into your garden. Meet at Hub - drop-in session, come any time between 10am and 12pm
Monday 28th April	2-3pm	Litter pick	Meeting at the hub, we'll do a timed 30-minute litter pick. How many bags can we fill before the gong sounds?! Free cuppa and cake to finish as a reward for our hard work!
TBC Monday 28th April	5.30-7pm	Gardening for Nature group	An opportunity for those keen on gardening for nature to come together to share tips and tricks and explore ways of bringing more nature into Hilltop! Meet at Hub.



Road Trip



Trips are provided by Harry Shaw Coach Company and subsidised by HTC Big Local for residents of Hill Top and Caldwell. Places are limited, booking essential via eventbrite. Scan the QR code for more information.



Bolton: Fish & chip lunch and dance!

6th May | £5 per person.



York Day Trip

29th August | £5 per person.



Family trip to Gulliver's Kingdom, Matlock

29th May. £7 per person

CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF HTC BIG LOCAL

2025 marks the final year of Big Local in the Hill Top and Caldwell area. We still have an amazing range of exciting projects and activities planned before it finishes, and we will continue working hard to ensure that there will be a long lasting legacy. We would like to announce an exciting community celebration to mark the end of Big Local and to celebrate some of our achievements. We are still working to finalise the details, but we know already that the event will take place on **Saturday 13th of September** and will involve community stalls, activities music, performances and more and involve many of the people and organisations who have worked with us over the past ten years. We will share details as they become available but please put it in your diaries now.



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WHAT'S ON IN THE COMMUNITY



YOUTH CLUB

**Positive impact run weekly youth clubs
at Wembrook Community Centre
Mondays and Fridays | 5-7pm.
Free for 11-18 year olds**

HTC Big Local support the youth clubs with venue hire.

**citizens
advice**

Providing free and confidential advice for anyone.

At Wembrook Community Centre

Wednesday and Friday | 9.30 - 12.30pm | Until End of March

HTC Big Local fund the Citizen's Advice sessions.

Sorrell Road Park

**HTC Big Local listened to the community from the start about the need to improve
our local green spaces & have more things for our children & young people.**

Work is now happening!

Work has started on the Sorrell Road Park redevelopment, it will be completed in phases, leaving other areas of the park still available to use.

The play equipment is scheduled to be complete by the end of March, with the last works on the park being completed in April.

The park is owned by Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council, who have secured funding from UKSPF and Big Local to make updates.

WATCH THIS SPACE for information about an official park opening!



Looking back...

We had an amazing few weeks at the hub on the build up to Christmas.

100 gifts donated from Rhenus Logistics and distributed to children and young people in the HTC area.



25 warm and well packs funded by Warwickshire Welfare Scheme and delivered to residents.



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Approximately 40 hampers provided for residents to help with the extra costs of the festive period, funded in part by the big local and distributed by big local, local schools and the pantry.

11 families took part in a photoshoot with North Warwickshire South Leicestershire College, receiving some beautiful and professional quality photos in time for Christmas, check out one of our favs in the photos of the very photogenic pooches!

If you have taken part in any HTC Big Local activity or received support in the past then we would love to hear about your experiences, send in any highlights or good news stories to sarah.deeming@wcava.org.uk.



CONTACT US

For details on all of the HTC organised events, scan the QR code for our Eventbrite link.



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