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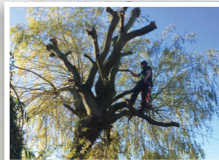
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Not many carnivals these days still include a procession on main roads, but this one went right through the village, the floats starting off from the Calor Gas (Huncote Road) end of The Fleet.

Then the Carnival Field at Stoney Stanton War Memorial Playing Fields featured all the usual fun, games, food, music and stalls.

Organisers said: "Thank you so much to everyone who helped make Stoney Stanton Carnival such a fabulous event.

"Whether you are part of a Community Group; watched the procession go past and put pennies



in the buckets; bought raffle tickets or donated raffle prizes; supported the stalls on the field or ran a stall on the field - Stoney Stanton Carnival Committee are immensely grateful for the support for our lovely village Carnival.

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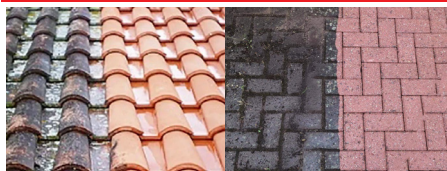
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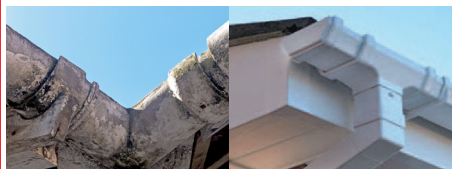
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And all of that fun is making its way to Barwell and Earl Shilton this July.

The Barwell by the Sea event will take place on Saturday, 11 July at Radford Park, in Masefield Close, Barwell, between 1pm and 4pm.

And then the traditional seaside fun will be taking place in Earl Shilton with the return of Shilton by the Sea.

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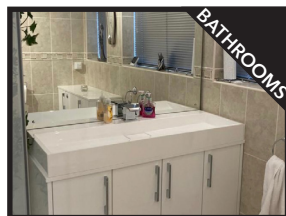
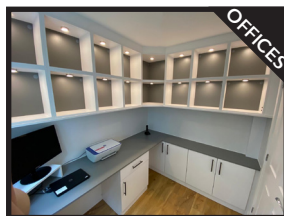
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One Show Filming at Twycross Zoo for Sir David Attenborough

For the past couple of months the nation has been celebrating the 100th birthday of Sir David Attenborough – particularly in Leicestershire where his love of nature was nurtured and thrived.

So, here's a sneak peak behind the scenes when Twycross Zoo celebrated the birthday with BBC's The One Show.



Members of the team joined children from Leicester's Ninth Scout Group – which Sir David was a part of as a child - to plant 100 trees, marking each year of his life.



The team from The One Show joined Chief Conservation Officer, Dr Rebecca Biddle, for an exclusive look around the building work of the Global Conservation Centre.

The £25 million development will become the hub of the zoo's global conservation work, scientific research, and education and a community space to inspire, train and facilitate the next generation of conservation leaders.

Sir David Attenborough has played a huge role in inspiring many behind the zoo's conservation work to pursue their passion for wildlife - including Dr Rebecca Biddle and Education Ranger, Finn Holmes-Kellet.

As part of the film, both Rebecca and Finn



were interviewed to share how the impact of Sir David's work has inspired them.

Alongside the celebrations, Twycross announced an expansion of its nature reserve, following the purchase of an additional 14-hectares of land dedicated to nature restoration.

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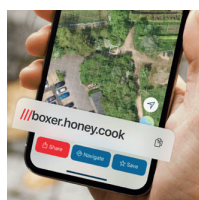
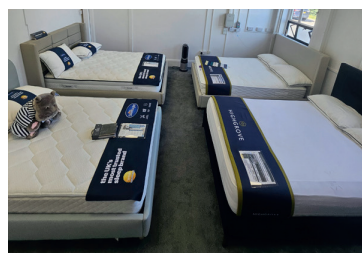
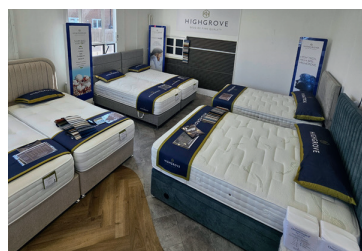
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To celebrate this occasion the ACA will be holding a Diamond Gathering at Snarestone Wharf between 10 am and 6 pm on Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th September.

Entry and parking for the event will be free, and all are invited to come. There will be a number of trade and working boats, some trade stalls, food and soft drinks.

RAM will be carrying passengers along a short section of the canal at various times of the day.

Organisers said: "It promises to be a good day out for all the family. Being a charity whose sole



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From its junction with the Coventry Canal, close to Bedworth, the Ashby Canal

travels north-east for about seven miles through the town of Hinckley.

It then continues north through largely rural countryside for a further 15 miles until it reaches its terminus at Snarestone.

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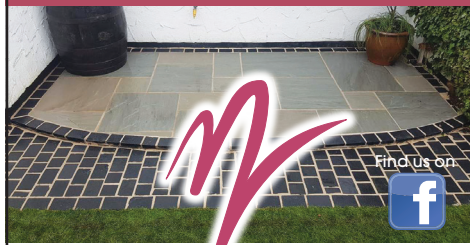
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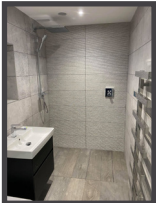
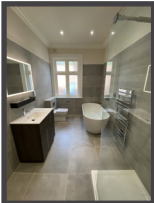
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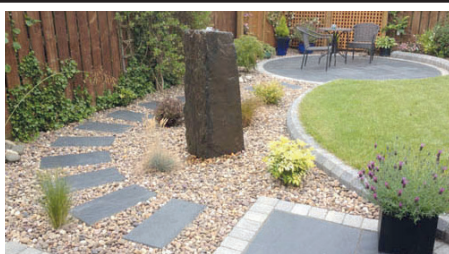
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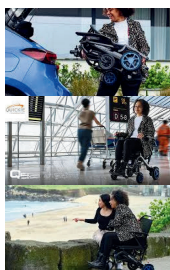
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Parish Councillors in Burbage plead for people to respect their environment following damage to trees planted as part of the Queen's Green Canopy

Here in Burbage, we may not have a tree as iconic as the Sycamore Gap tree, but sadly it seems we do have people with the same mentality to destroy simply because they can.

As councillors, we work hard to create an environment that all residents can be proud of. In 2022, we commissioned the planting of 70 trees at the Far Lash Open Space to commemorate the 70-year reign of our late Queen, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. Since then, our staff have carefully tended these young trees, ensuring that hot summers and difficult conditions did not cause them to fail. For the past four years—a crucial period in the life of a young tree—they have successfully nurtured them and helped them thrive.

Over the weekend, however, a mindless act of vandalism destroyed one of these trees and left another badly damaged. Whoever carried out this act may well have boasted to friends about what they had done; perhaps they were even encouraged to do it. But once such damage is done, it cannot be undone. A tree has been lost, and, with it, part of the symbolism of the 70 trees planted to mark the Queen's remarkable reign.

Each year, our community gathers around the Coronation Tree to sing carols and admire the Christmas lights. Those traditions would not be possible today if, back in the late 1950s, someone had chosen to destroy that tree when it was just a young sapling.

We may never discover who was responsible for this act. However, it is possible that parents or grandparents will one day learn the truth, and they will have to live with that knowledge. Perhaps, years from now, a grandparent will be walking through the park when a grandchild asks, "Why are there only 68 trees here when the Queen reigned for 70 years?" Will they be as proud to explain the real reason?



Councillor Rolf Hoelmer, Chair of Burbage Parish Council, and Lash Hill ward Councillor Dawn Glenville, who championed the Queens Green Canopy project in the parish, assess the damage to one of the damaged commemorative trees.

We rely on the whole community to respect and support the steps we take to create lasting memorials and improve our shared environment. By raising this issue, we hope not only to highlight the damage caused but also to prevent any further acts of vandalism of this nature.

In response to this incident, Parish Councillors are discussing with officers from Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council the possible installation of covert CCTV cameras within the park. The aim is not only to identify those responsible should further incidents occur, but, more importantly, to act as a deterrent and protect the trees and facilities that belong to the whole community.

These trees were planted not just for today, but for future generations. They stand as a living memorial to a remarkable reign and as a reminder that the decisions we make today shape the environment we leave behind. It is our collective responsibility to ensure they remain for future generations to enjoy.



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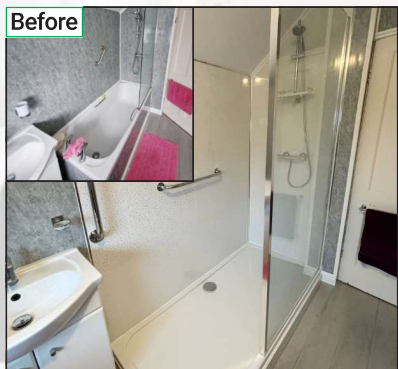
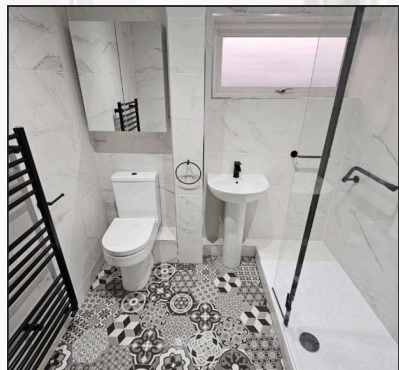


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