

Swinton

Community Committee

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Swinton Residents Enjoy Christmas On Ice

More people than ever turned up to enjoy their Christmas on ice in Salford.

The ice rink opened on Friday 4 December with festive performances from Salford-born tenor Jon Christos and a figure skating group from Altrincham and Deeside ice rink.



More than 1800 tickets were sold in advance of the rink's opening night making it the most successful year for pre-sale tickets.

Councillor Barry Warner, Salford City Council's lead member for culture and sport said: "Each year the ice rink has attracted a growing number of visitors with more people than ever pre-booking their tickets to skate in the city this Christmas."

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Welcome to the winter edition of the Swinton Community Committee Newsletter.

I would like to start this newsletter by wishing you all a Happy New Year on behalf of the Swinton Community Committee and the Swinton Neighbourhood Management Team. This edition of the newsletter is packed with information about what is going on in your community. I would like to specifically draw your attention to the article relating to Community Cashback on page 3. The article demonstrates yet another way that you can influence decisions. If you would like further information on how you can get involved and influence decisions please contact the Neighbourhood Management Team. Email catherine.walker@salford.gov.uk or call **607 1961**.

Finally, this will be my last involvement in the newsletter for a while as I will shortly be starting maternity leave in preparation for the birth of our first child. A new Neighbourhood Manager will be starting on 25 January.

Thank you for all your contributions and support.

Karen

St Augustine's Eco-Garden



The Eco-garden project took 3 years to realise. It was led by Susan Robb, Eco-Schools Co-ordinator who started working with a wide range

of organisations including: Swinton Community Committee, Daisy's Funding, Pendlebury Area Community Enterprise, Salford NHS, Salford BEP, Environmental Services, Screaming Green from Salford University, the Salford Ranger Service and Healthy Schools.

The garden is a multi-purpose outdoor classroom; a place where the little ones can go and hide and explore nature, where the older children can listen to stories, using the storytelling chair and toadstools, a place for growing things, herbs, fruits and vegetables that the children can cook and taste. Now that the garden is established we are hoping to set up a gardening club, made up of parents, staff, grandparents, children and volunteers from the local community to look after the garden and keep it tidy.

Every child in the school and every member of staff has planted a spring bulb in the garden and we are really excited to see them grow over the next few months. The children also worked with a clay artist Vin Cahill making leaves to decorate the garden walls.

The school would especially like to thank Brenda Worthington, Community Health Development Worker, who has helped us to set up our parents committee, who have raised £1000 towards the project and organised our Garden party opening. Also Assumpta O'Connell from Healthy Schools, has helped us to raise £500 towards the project and is supporting us with our enhanced Healthy Schools Programme. Jill Tyson from the Salford Rangers service has made bird boxes and bat boxes and a hedgehog hide in the garden and has worked with the pupils at school and at Clifton Country park. Fiona Stanley has also supported the school through our Eco-schools bronze and silver award and now the garden is nearly finished, we are working towards our Green Flag. Claire Standish and Lita Sykes from Environmental services have

worked with the children on a number of projects including our 'go bananas for fair trade day!' Thank you to everyone who has made this project happen, it will benefit our children for many years to come.

Claire Campbell, Headteacher



Photos: Above - Garden space before renovation. Below - The new Eco-garden.





Swinton project nominated by the public secures criminals' cash

A publicly nominated project in Swinton is celebrating its success as one of 269 projects nationally that have secured funding allocated from the ill-gotten gains of criminals.

The funding was made available through the Government's recently launched Community Cashback scheme, where 'cashback' from criminals' seized assets, such as confiscated cash or property, has been earmarked to fund worthwhile community projects.

The successful project was the St. Thomas Church Community Safety Scheme, which received £2,070. The church in Clifton has suffered from criminal damage for the past three years. The church has been used by the community of Clifton for breakfast clubs, play schemes and still holds other social events. The Community Cashback money will be used to install gates so that young people can no longer access the rear of the church.

The £4 million Community Cashback fund was announced back in May and the Local Criminal Justice Board in Greater Manchester was able to submit project proposals for funding up to their area maximum of £95,000.

Successful bids needed to show how the local community was involved in suggesting the project, demonstrate good value for money and be related in some way to tackling antisocial or criminal behaviour locally. Responses were then received from members of the public on which projects they would like to see funded.

Richard Vince, Chairman of the Greater Manchester Criminal Justice Board said:

"The public response to Community Cashback in Greater Manchester has been huge and we thank everyone that took the time to either nominate projects or 'have their say' on which project they feel would benefit from the funding in our area.

It is fantastic that we have been able to respond to the communities' needs and that the ill-gotten gains of criminals will now be channelled into projects that will make a real positive difference to the local community and the lives of individuals.

We hope that Community Cashback has given people the opportunity to have a stronger voice in the Criminal Justice System in Greater Manchester."



There's nowt like the dirt & dreams of folk!

The Salford Ranger Team delivered another successful event at Clifton Country Park in September 2009, with the return of Dirt & Dreams 2. Visitors were greeted with a farm yard petting corner, live folk music and the Pit Brow Canteen before taking on a woodland walk to experience traditional trades and crafts such as woodwork and willow weaving. Also on show were the weirdly wonderful delights of the deep divers, King Coal and the Flatulator!

A big THANK YOU to all contributors on the day, especially the Clifton Country Park User Group Forum.

For further information on activities and events at the country park, contact Salford Ranger Team on 0161 793 4219 or email rangers@salford.gov.uk

Salford NHS - Swinton and Pendlebury Health Improvement Team



The Tiny Tot Ramblers

Tiny Tots Ramblers is a health walk for Parents/Carers and children under 5 years. It is run by the Health Improvement Team and Salford Ranger Team

under the banner of the Active Lifestyle Team (Salford Community Leisure) Health Walks. A walk was held on 49 of the 52 weeks in 2009, on Friday mornings at Clifton Country Park.

Walks were alternated between a Tiny Tots Ramble and a themed walk. Themes included Squirrel Hunts, Nature Trails, Caterpillar Hunts, Teddy Bears Picnics and Marvellous Mini-Beasts. The themed walks involved the children looking for or collecting things on route. Walks lasted approximately one hour and were followed by refreshments and healthy snacks.

On average 10 adults and 10 children walked every week, with attendances peaking on the following walks:

- **Easter Bunny Hunt in April:**
32 adults, 31 children.
- **Story time walk in August:**
23 adults, 29 children.
- **Teddy Bears Picnic in August:**
22 adults, 30 children.
- **Halloween Walk in October:**
45 adults, 59 children.

The Health Improvement Team and Salford Ranger Team would like to thank the Swinton Neighbourhood Management Team, both Moorside and Mossfield Children's Centres and the Children's Library at Swinton for helping to promote the walk via newsletters, emails and posters.

We would also like to thank Frances, our community walk leader who has attended the walks since September, in a voluntary capacity and without whom we would be unable to continue to operate the walks.

In January 2010 the walks will be as follows:

- 1 January: No formal walk - Visitor Centre closed
- 8 January: Tiny Tots Ramble
- 15 January: Squirrel Safari
- 22 January: Tiny Tots Ramble
- 29 January: Fruity Walk

A leaflet is produced listing three months of walks so the next leaflet will be produced in January 2010 with walks for February to April 2010. The leaflet is available from the Visitor Centre at Clifton Country Park, Moorside and Mossfield Children's Centres and Swinton Library.

We meet at the Visitor Centre in Clifton Country Park on Fridays at 10am for 10.15am start. Walks last approximately one hour. All walks are suitable for prams and buggies. Please wear sensible shoes. School children are welcome during school holidays but must be accompanied by an adult.



Thank you to everyone who has attended the walks in 2009, we hope you enjoyed them and we hope to see you in 2010!

**Ann-Marie Curran (Health Improvement Team)
and Katherine Rice (Salford Ranger Team)**

Salford Sure Start Children's Centres

Do you have a child under five?

Then call in to your Swinton Sure Start Children's Centres. We support you from pregnancy to primary school by offering:

- Registered childcare and early learning
- Parenting and family support
- Antenatal and postnatal health care
- Employment, training and job seeking advice
- Lots of fun activities and the chance to talk to other parents and make new friends.



Activities include: health visitor, baby massage, stay and play, midwives, childminder groups, breast feeding support, toy library, Job Centre Plus, and sensory sessions. Swinton Moorside has a fantastic nursery called Little Buds, which has a landscaped outdoor play area where children can play and do some gardening.

Mossfield. Mossfield Road, Swinton. 0161 921 2460

Swinton Moorside. 2a Wenlock Street (Off Moorside Rd). 0161 778 0750

Are you looking for childcare or activities for children and families in Swinton?

Salford Family Information Service can tell you what childcare providers (childminders, children's centres, nurseries, playgroups and before and after schools clubs) are available to meet your needs, and what's on in your area. We can also tell you about all the services for children and young people from 0-19 and their families such as: advice on parenting; choosing a career in childcare; and what help is available to pay for childcare such as 15 hours free childcare a week for two, three and four year olds. We can also tell you what services are available for disabled children such as activities and short breaks. Call Salford Family Information Service on freephone **0800 195 5565** or email **FIS@salford.gov.uk**.

Free home safety

Every year in the UK just under a million children aged under 15 have accidents in and around the home and are taken to hospital. To help protect children Salford Sure Start is offering free home safety equipment to families who live in the Swinton area who are unemployed or on a low wage and in receipt of benefits and have children aged five and under. The packs include: safety gates; fire guards; window restrictors; locks for cupboards; corner cushions; and non slip bath mats. Call Salford Family Information Service on freephone **0800 195 5565** or email **FIS@salford.gov.uk**.

Dementia resource centre opens its doors for the first time

A new centre for people affected by dementia has opened its doors, in the heart of Salford.

The centre brings together a range of services to support people with dementia and their carers, including a specialist information centre, a day centre, telecare demonstration room and a community mental health team. There are two gardens with safety flooring, as well as a café where people can relax.

Local people are already volunteering at the centre – in the café and as 'meeters and greeters'.

The development has been made possible by a large capital grant by Booth charities and has been supported by Professor Ray Tallis, philosopher, poet, novelist and cultural critic.

The Humphrey Booth Resource Centre is at 16 – 18 Worsley Rd, Swinton, M27 5WW



Swinton Pond Given New Lease Of Life



Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) from Greater Manchester Police's

Salford Division have been working with young people, residents and the community pay back team in Swinton to help breath new life into a local pond.

PCSOs Stephen Eden and Tracey Tynan rose to the challenge to help Deans Youth Activity Centre clean up the nearby pond, helping move two large skipfuls of debris that had been dumped there.

The team recovered bikes, shopping trolleys and even a terrapin that had been left. The pond will now be used by the youth centre to teach angling. A new maintenance program to ensure it remains rubbish free has also been set up.

PCSO Eden said: "Residents had mentioned that they were unhappy with the amount of rubbish that had been dumped in the pond and when we found out about the clean up, we were happy to help. I was surprised with the amount of waste we found but thanks to everyone's efforts, the pond is a lot more appealing on the eye."

Cllr Joe Murphy, Salford City lead member for Environment said: "The cleanup was a great success; it just goes to show what can be achieved when the community works together. I am sure the pond will now be enjoyed by residents, anglers and the local people."



Reporting a hate crime

Don't suffer in silence – report all hate crimes

It is important to report all hate incidents, even if you think nothing can be done as it helps the police identify areas of concern and patterns of behaviour. Hate crimes are not only crimes against the targeted victim, but also against a particular group as a whole. It is important to report hate crime to enable the police and other agencies to build a real picture of what is happening in our communities.

Also, both police officers and other agency representatives working across Salford have been successful in gaining evidence against offenders by putting together information given by a range of victims.

Calling

You can report any form of hate crime anonymously by calling Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111** or phone the police's non-emergency reporting number on **0161 872 5050**. In an emergency ring 999.

Reporting it online

You can report a hate crime online by filling in the online reporting form by visiting **www.gmp.police.uk**

Hate crime reporting centre

A hate crime reporting centre allows you to report crimes without having to go directly to the police station, and includes places of worship, housing providers, voluntary and community-based organisations. You can discuss your experience with a specially trained person to complete a hate crime incident reporting form.

Hate crime reporting centres are;

- Swinton Citizens Advice Bureau
56 Chorley Road, Swinton M27 4AA
- Salford Community Safety Unit, Elmstead House,
143 Partington Lane, Swinton M27 0SS
- City West Housing Trust (for City West Tenants)
7 Wesley Street, Swinton M27 6AD Tel: 605 7230
- Salix Homes (for Salix Homes Tenants)
Safer Neighbourhoods Team, Salford Community
Housing Office, Churchill Way, Salford M6 5BU
Tel: 0161 607 8114

Awards for Homewatch Coordinators



On Tuesday 3rd November 2009, the Swinton Neighbourhood Policing Team Inspector, Robert Findlow, was delighted to invite all of the local

Homewatch coordinators and their deputies to the Salford Suite of the Civic Centre. This provided an opportunity for the Neighbourhood Policing Team to offer their thanks for the support and enthusiasm given by them over this and years past.

Despite poor weather conditions, the event was well attended and the evening opened with a warm welcome from Inspector Findlow. The ice was then broken with a tongue in cheek quiz entitled "Watching the detectives". After much head scratching and groans of disbelief the quiz was completed, answers given and prizes awarded.

Sergeant Ruth Llewellyn then gave a short presentation to explain the PACT (Police and Communities Together) process and how members of the community have easy access to their Community Police officers and PCSO's.

The coordinators were then shown some video footage of a series of drugs deals that had taken place some years before and had been used as evidence in the conviction of several people in connection with conspiracy to supply drugs. The presentation together with the use of a school placebo drugs box certainly stimulated some discussion amongst the guests.

A break for refreshments allowed the Coordinators to socialise with the PC's and PCSO's from their areas. After the break the raffle was drawn with prizes all being concerned with personal or home security. B & Q are to be congratulated for their generosity in the supply of the prizes.

Certificates were awarded to all of the Coordinators and the Deputies once again with warm thanks from the Inspector and Sergeant.

All of the invited guests appeared to have enjoyed the evening. All of the PC's and PCSO thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to mix informally with the Coordinators that they see on a day-to-day basis. It is hoped and anticipated that the event will be repeated in the future.



Inspector Robert Findlow, Sergeant Ruth Llewellyn and all of the PC's and PCSO's from the Neighbourhood Policing Team at Swinton Police Station would like to wish you all a happy and prosperous New Year.

Now that the dust is starting to settle on the Christmas and New Year festivities, now is the time to turn our thoughts again to keeping our property and ourselves safe. With lots of new electronic gismo's and gadgets to be played with and all of the other fantastic gifts you have all received over the festive period to be considered, the question is are they property marked and made as safe as possible. The answer will probably be no.

In an attempt to assist you with this task we are proposing to run three property-marking days at Morrisons supermarket on Swinton Hall Road, Swinton on Monday 18 January, Tuesday 19 January and Wednesday 20 January. The events will run each day from 10 o'clock until 3 o'clock and will be run from the Greater Manchester Police mobile Police Station that will be situated in the car park of the supermarket.

At these events we will be able to mark your smaller items and to allow you to mark your bigger items at home we will show you how and where to property mark your property and provide you with the equipment to do it! We will also be able to discuss the use of SelectaDNA forensic property marking at your home and in the homes of your neighbours.

For people with new mobile phones we will not only property mark your phones but also enter the details on the immobilise.com web site, making it easier to reunite you should your phone be stolen or lost.

Lots of other crime prevention advice and literature will also be available so why not come along and help to keep your property and other people's property safe?

Swinton Ward Councillors

Pendlebury ward



**Councillor
Bernard Lea**
0161 737 4905



**Councillor
Barry Warner**
0161 793 5545



**Councillor
John Ferguson**
0161 794 5859

Swinton North ward



**Councillor
Derek Antrobus**
0161 793 7713



**Councillor
James Dawson**
0161 793 5014



**Councillor
Bill Hinds**
0161 794 8783

Swinton South ward



**Councillor
Martin O'Neill**
0161 794 4701



**Councillor
Steven Cooke**
0161 794 1289



**Councillor
Joe O'Neill**
0161 794 0407

To find out when and where your local councillor holds their advice bureaux, contact Members' Services on 0161 793 3030.

Member of Parliament



Ian Stewart MP
0161 707 4688
Email: ianstewartmp@parliament.uk

If you are interested in placing an article in the Swinton Community Committee newsletter please contact the Neighbourhood Management team.

This document can be provided in large print, audio, electronic and Braille formats. Please contact the Neighbourhood Management team at Salford City Council, telephone 0161 607 1961.

Swinton Neighbourhood Management team
The Poplars Medical Centre,
202 Partington Lane, Swinton, M27 0NA
0161 607 1961

Other useful contact numbers

Salford City Council

- Salford City Council main switchboard 0161 794 4711
- Out of hours emergency number 0161 794 8888
- Environment division
(for queries such as refuse collections) 0161 909 6500
- Highways
(for queries such as street lighting) 0161 909 6505

Libraries

- Swinton Library, Chorley Road, Swinton, Salford, M27 4AE 0161 921 2360 (Adult) 0161 921 2370 (Children)
- Clifton Library, 6 Wynne Avenue, Clifton 0161 794 1591

Community centres

- The Valley Community Centre, Lightbourne Green, off Dorning Road, Swinton, M27 1XA 0161 728 3061
- Wardley Community Centre, 30 Ash Drive, Wardley, Swinton 0161 794 3334
- Clifton Community Centre, 6 Wynne Avenue, Swinton M27 2EY 0161 794 1641

Youth centres

- Clifton Youth Centre, The Green, Clifton, Swinton, M27 8GL 0161 794 4321
- Deans Youth Activity Centre, Deans Road, Swinton 0161 794 1088

Sports centres

- Fit City Pendlebury, Cromwell Road, Pendlebury, Salford, M27 9SZ 0161 793 1750

Community safety

- Police - general enquiries 0161 872 5050
- Police - emergencies 999
- Neighbourhood Policing team (Salford North) 0161 856 5228
- Salford anti-social behaviour reporting line 0161 909 6544
- 24-hour National Domestic Violence helpline 0808 2000247

City West Housing Trust

- Rent and general enquiries 0161 605 7230
- Repairs 0300 123 5522
- Out of hours emergency number 0161 794 8888

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如果您有關於本宣傳頁的任何問題，請聯繫 Salford 理事會的 Neighbourhood Management team 團隊，電話號碼為 **0161 607 1961**

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Potrzebujesz tłumaczenia tego tekstu? - zadzwoń do naps na **0161 607 1961**