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Summer Newsletter

July - September 2018



New plans for Spiller's - Europe's largest observation wheel and leisure attraction.

Plans to build Europe's tallest observation wheel on neighbouring Spiller's Mill site have been announced.

The project would see more than £100m invested in the city and up to 550 jobs created. The site on the Tyne has been vacant for the past seven years since the Mill was demolished.

Standing 140 metres high, the observation wheel – dubbed 'The Whey Aye' in celebration of its Newcastle location – will be five metres taller than the London Eye. Plans include pedestrianisation, bars and

restaurants and a visitor attraction called the Giants of the North Experience. The plans also feature a family entertainment centre and a multi-purpose play and sports complex, with covered five-a-side pitches and tennis courts, and a state-of-the-art virtual golf club.

World Wheel Company announced the plans at the end of May. The Hong Kong-based company has built and operated

similar projects around the world. A Newcastle office base has been opened in Leazes Park Road.

A detailed planning application is due to be submitted to Newcastle City Council later this year.



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Heritage Litter Bins

Residents are worried about the future of the neighbourhood's distinctive heritage-style litter bins. They fear that if the same few continue to dump kitchen, takeaway leftovers, wine bottles and tinnies, as well as garden waste, in the small bins, then the distinctive bins will have to be removed.

The unpleasant looking and smelling "fly-tipped" waste daily upsets others, as well as attracting rats and mice to the open top bins and nearby homes and business premises.

The litter bins quickly become full, causing avoidable litter from spill overs. There are costs too arising from the need for unscheduled – and unbudgeted – additional collections. If this "fly-tipping" by a few continues, then the days of these distinctive bins are probably numbered.

Secure it, or lose it

St Peter's people are warned by Northumbria Police to be on their guard against opportunist thieves. With temperatures reaching record-highs, it is only natural to open windows and doors, and car windows too. But when you're not there, even for a just few minutes, we are told, lock up, and do not provide opportunist thieves with the chance to get away with your property.

Should you see anyone acting suspiciously in the neighbourhood, then please call 101 (Northumbria Police). If a criminal activity is underway, or you believe likely, then please call 999.

National Citizen Service Volunteers

One July afternoon twelve North East teenagers joined St. Peter's volunteers and worked voluntarily in improving the appearance of the Dobson Crescent verge and Village Green. The teenagers are working towards their National Citizen Service awards, and the activity

was arranged by the Association with service provider and charity Headliners.

A second afternoon has been organised for Friday 17 August at 1.30pm, to join in please contact secretary@stpetersnewcastle.co.uk.



Merchants Wharf's new beds

New beds have arrived in Merchants' Wharf's courtyard. The planting kind.

The Council contracted The Skills Mill, the social enterprise employer,

to build the beds. Merchants Wharf's residents have bought plants and are working together in creating a new courtyard garden.



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