

LEARN NEW SKILLS

Community learning is for everyone and has been commissioned by Trafford Council to provide people of all ages and abilities in Trafford with the opportunity to take part in short courses to develop new skills and ideas.

There are lots of different courses taking place in locations such as libraries, community centres and other local venues

right across the year. Plus with Christmas coming up, why not treat someone to a course starting in the new year in floristry, IT or jewellery making?

To find out more about the courses available and how to enrol, call the Community Learning Team on 0161 886 7443 or visit www.trafford.ac.uk

If you are currently in receipt of benefits you may also receive the course for free.

Focus on IT Learning: Stephen Higginbottom

Stephen, aged 44 from Stretford, has ignited his passion for photography and IT by enrolling on Community Learning Courses in Digital Families, Beginners IT and Digital Photography. Stephen has completed courses at The Hub, a Community Centre in Altrincham, Manchester United Football Club and Sale Moor Community Learning Centre - all local venues where Trafford College delivers courses.

Commenting on his achievements, Stephen said "I have gained new skills and learnt new ways of doing things through Trafford College's Community Learning. I would recommend courses in the community, as learning keeps the mind occupied and you can also progress to a College course to gain a qualification."

Stephen is now studying OCR Level 1 - Introduction to Beginners Computing at the College's Talbot Road site in Stetford.

PUBLIC NOTICES

TRAFFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 The Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004 and the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2008 Development Plan Document - Regulation 30 Submission of Documents and Information to the Secretary of State

Proposed title of the Development Plan Document

Trafford Local Development Framework - DPD1: Core Strategy: Submission.

Proposed subject matter and area of the Development Plan Document

The Core Strategy will set out the broad framework for the spatial development of Trafford up to 2026. All other Development Plan Documents which the Council will produce will be in conformity with the Core Strategy.

The Core Strategy covers the whole administrative area of Trafford Borough.

Inspection Arrangements

Copies of the Trafford Local Development Framework - DPD1: Core Strategy: Submission, together with supporting documentation referred to in paragraph (1) (a) to (g) of Regulation 30 (e) of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2008 are available for public inspection at all public libraries/Access Trafford offices in Trafford, and at Trafford Town Hall reception, during normal opening hours. The documents can also be found on the Council's website, www.trafford.gov.uk. If needed, summary material can be made available in large print, Braille and other languages.

For further information please contact the LDF helpline on 0161 912 4475.

Dennis Smith - Head of Strategic Planning and Housing Services.

Getting in touch with your Council

The Council answers hundreds of enquiries from residents every week through Access Trafford, the Council's 'one stop shop' and first point of contact for you to get your questions answered.

There are numerous reasons why you may need to get in touch with the Council regarding local services we provide; from Council Tax enquiries to informing us about incidents of anti-social behaviour in your area and school admissions.

In each issue we will be looking at a commonly asked question and providing the answer and links to relevant websites or information. This issue we are looking at gritting.

Are side roads gritted in Trafford when snow and ice is expected?

There are seven priority routes in Trafford that have to be gritted first. Once this is done gritting of the side roads begins.

Residents can request gritting online via www.trafford.gov.uk or contact Access Trafford on 0161 912 2000.

Equally, as a matter of course, town centre footways will be hand gritted when required and if conditions prevail there are further priority footpaths (shopping parades, those on slopes etc.) which can then be treated.

There is no law stopping you from clearing snow and ice from outside your property and there are tips on the appropriate and safe ways to clear snow and ice on the Council's website.

Find out more about gritting and the work of the Council's gritting team on p10.

You can contact the Council:

Online: Our online services enable you to get in touch with us 24 hours a day, 7 days a week so you can report a problem, make a payment, find your local councillor, make a complaint or find out more about the services in your area.

By email: You can email us at: access.trafford@trafford.gov.uk

By phone: 0161 912 2000. Minicom number: 0161 912 2102.

In person: Our main customer service centre is at Sale Waterside, however there are contact points at your local library.