

Welcome to initiatives+



Your monthly news update from Chichester District Council

Welcome to the June issue of initiatives+

This newsletter is issued every month with the latest news and events in our area, details of schemes and projects that will benefit our residents and businesses, as well as relevant national and local updates.



Sports facility funding

Just under £1 million has been approved to replace the White Pavilion in Chichester's Priory Park. The new building would have changing and toilet facilities plus a social space with a small kitchen to help meet the needs of sports teams and meet growing demand. [Find out more](#)

Funding for city centre project

Our district councillors have agreed to a £600,000 investment in a city centre enhancement project which is being led by West Sussex County Council. [Find out more](#)



Southbourne consultation

The next round of public consultation on the Southbourne Allocation Development Plan Document begins on June 5. The document sets out the proposed allocation of land in Southbourne for future housing development. The deadline for comments is Friday 17 July 2026. [Find out more](#)

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Enjoy seasonal produce

Don't forget that Chichester Farmers' Market will be bursting with seasonal colours and flavours on Friday 5 and 19 June! Sample amazing food and ingredients from our local producers. [Find out more](#)

Local government reorganisation

The Government is seeking views on two additional options as part of a further consultation local government reorganisation options in Sussex. People have until 23.59 on 15 June to make their views heard. [You can access the consultation through their portal](#)





Your views on dog control

We're currently asking for people to have their say on dog control rules in public spaces across the Chichester District. You can comment until 5pm on Friday 5 June. [Fill in the survey](#) and find out more information. There's also a series of frequently asked questions.

Work to begin on new local plan

We will formally begin work on a new Chichester Local Plan, in line with new national plan-making requirements introduced by the government. By law, we are required to announce its intention to start a new Local Plan — known as a 'Notice of Intention to Commence' — and to publish a timetable by 30 June 2026. [Find out more](#)



Bringing housing advice to an event near you!

Residents across our district are invited to get free housing advice as part of our first ever Housing Matters Roadshow, which is visiting communities across our district. Residents and landlords will be able to speak directly with housing officers, ask questions, and find out about the wide range of housing support available. You'll be able to meet members of our Housing Team at local events, and gain informal face-to-face advice on everything from social housing and private renting to energy efficiency and access to grants to deliver adaptations for disabled residents. [Find out the dates and more details](#)



Walk of the Dandelion event in Chichester city centre

On Saturday June 6 join Daniel, an 8-foot ethereal puppet as he winds his way around Chichester city centre as part of a collective celebration to mark Great Big Green Week and the final day of Chichester Cathedral's spectacular Festival of Flowers. Along the way, Daniel will be sharing gifts of dandelions, each with a message of positivity. Take part in craft activities, enjoy music performances and join in with the floral theme! [Find out more](#)

Other local news

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