

Pete Bungard, Chief Executive to retire in May 2025

After 27 years at Gloucestershire County Council, Pete Bungard has today (6 November) announced that he will be retiring on 4 May next year.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-november-2024/pete-bungard-chief-executive-to-retire-in-may-2025/>

Free winter fun for families this Christmas

The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme is back to help keep children in Gloucestershire happy, healthy, and entertained with free activities and nutritious food.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-november-2024/free-winter-fun-for-families-this-christmas/>

Chief Fire Officer apologises for past Service failings between 1991 and 2018, accepts findings and commits to continue transforming GFRS in response to Independent Review

The Chief Fire Officer has today (7 November) apologised on behalf of Gloucestershire Fire and Rescue Service (GFRS) for the past institutional racism that occurred between 1991 and 2018 that its Black and ethnic minority firefighters and staff were subjected to and commends their bravery for speaking up in order to set the record straight.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-november-2024/chief-fire-officer-apologises-for-past-service-failings-between-1991-and-2018-accepts-findings-and-commits-to-continue-transforming-gfrs-in-response-to-independent-review/>

It's time to 'talk rubbish' and prioritise recycling with launch of new waste campaign

Gloucestershire Recycles has launched a new campaign aimed at answering all your questions about recycling.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-november-2024/it-s-time-to-talk-rubbish-and-prioritise-recycling-with-launch-of-new-waste-campaign/>

Find out more about next section of A435 Cycleway

Construction work on the next phase of the A435 Cycleway route is due to begin in the new year and a drop-in event is taking place for those interested in finding out more.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-november-2024/find-out-more-about-next-section-of-a435-cycleway/>

Positive response to Merrywalks revamp

Residents have given a positive reaction to proposed improvements to Merrywalks transport hub in Stroud.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-november-2024/positive-response-to-merrywalks-revamp/>

£1.3m invested in new school building The Eastbrook Centre

Gloucestershire County Council has invested around £1.3 million in The Eastbrook Centre, a new site for Gloucestershire's alternative provision school.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-november-2024/13m-invested-in-new-school-building-the-eastbrook-centre/>

Last chance to have your say on potential route options for M5 Junction 9 and A46 (Ashchurch) Transport Scheme

Members of the public are being reminded by Gloucestershire County Council to share their views on potential route options for the M5 Junction 9 and A46 (Ashchurch) Transport Scheme, before the public engagement exercise closes on Monday 2 December.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-november-2024/last-chance-to-have-your-say-on-potential-route-options-for-m5-junction-9-and-a46-ashchurch-transport-scheme/>

New Gloucester special school gets the go ahead

The new £16.5 million special school for 200 pupils has been granted planning permission today.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-november-2024/new-gloucester-special-school-gets-the-go-ahead/>

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