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Concerns raised after village homes raided

by **Ryan Smith**
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THREE 'alarming' overnight burglaries in Hanbury and Crowle saw items stolen and one person viciously attacked.

Detectives are working through enquiries after the incidents, which happened overnight on Tuesday. Officers are keeping an open mind about whether the burglaries are linked.

Police were called to Church Road in Crowle at around 3.50am after a property was broken into and a person assaulted.

The suspects demanded keys to a blue Volkswagen Golf R which was then stolen from the drive.

The victim was struck over the head and needed hospital treatment. Police have confirmed the injury was not life-threatening or life-changing.

A burglary in Crowle Green that night saw the suspects force entry at the back of a property. This time, however, they fled empty-handed.

A third burglary was reported at a property on Broughton Green, Hanbury. Suspects broke through a glass door and stole a wallet, watch and a mobile phone.

Det Insp Lindsey Hewitt, from West



Rosie Philpott will unveil her latest creation, *Wonky Droitwich 1960s*, at this year's St Richard's Canal Festival, in Vines Park. s

A sideways look at...

ARTIST Rosie Philpott is releasing a latest 'Wonky Droitwich' painting at next month's St Richard's Canal Festival, in Vines Park.

Rosie broke into the local art scene with her first, distinctive Wonky Droitwich painting in 2012 and, since then, has built a successful career selling her much-loved artworks at festivals and events.

Through popularity of her signature style and her pieces' titles, Droitwich Place Board were inspired to write 'Wonky High Street' on the latest signage.

Rosie will be showcasing her latest masterpiece on her stall at her first festival of the year, between May 2 and 4.

Wonky Droitwich 1960s is described as a vibrant and quirky depiction of the town's famously wobbly high street, as it appeared 60 years ago.

Rosie said: "The famous 'boy on the bike', who appears in all of my Droitwich paintings, makes a return – but this time without his modern headphones."

The original painting is A1 in size and in a solid oak frame – it will be available to buy along with A2 and A3-size prints. Visitors to the St Richard's Canal Festival will be able to meet Rosie and chat about her artwork.

Alternatively, email rosieposeartist@gmail.com or visit rosiephilpott.co.uk for more details about Rosie and her work.

Mercia Police CID, said burglaries of this nature would be alarming to the local community and moved to reassure residents that officers were trying to track down those responsible.

"Officers will be out in the areas where the incidents took place to carry out enquiries, including gathering witness statements and conducting CCTV checks," said the detective.

"We would like to see any CCTV, ring doorbell or dashcam footage which may show vehicles in the area in the early hours of [that] morning, particularly the blue Golf which was

stolen from Church Road in Crowle." She urged witnesses or anyone else with information or footage to email: joanne.jenks@westmercia.police.uk or to call police on 01905 973157.

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Police operation targets drivers

A POLICE operation at Hopwood Services caught almost 50 drivers for a multitude of motoring offences.

Operation Spotlight focused on reducing serious and fatal crashes by focusing on the 'Fatal Four'. These include speeding or driving at an inappropriate speed, handheld mobile phone use at the wheel, failure to wear seatbelts and driving under the influence of drink or drugs.

West Mercia Police's Operational Policing Unit (OPU) undertook the operation.

Officers said, while the majority of drivers were responsible, co-operative and receptive to advice, enforcement action was taken against those who flouted the law.

A total of 27 drivers were caught speeding, five for having an overweight vehicle and four did not have a valid MoT. Two drivers were found to have no insurance, two vehicles had defective tyres and one driver was reported for driving otherwise than in accordance with a licence.

Three drivers were not wearing a seatbelt and two had not paid road tax. Three vehicles were seized by police.

Following the operation, OPU said it would continue to take proactive action to tackle unsafe driving behaviours and improve road safety for all road users.



Bowls club fury after vandals damage green

THE SECRETARY of Wythall Bowling Club has lambasted the 'hooligans' who damaged the green by riding roughshod over it on 'fat-tired electric bikes'.

The incidents have happened on the last two consecutive weeks.

Last week, not much damage was caused as the weather had been fine and the ground firm.

But the second attack, which happened overnight on Tuesday last week, occurred after it had rained.

Wythall Bowling Club secretary, Les Guest, told the Standard: "Members left the club on Tuesday and afternoon and when they returned on Wednesday, they found the green had been damaged. "There were ruts and divots all over it."

"These hooligans always come down and cause damage when the club is not being used. "It is a shame because a lot of local people give up their time for free to maintain the green to a high standard so players can enjoy the sport they love."



The green has been damaged by vandals on 'fat-tired bikes'. s

"And it is great exercise for players, particularly older people, as it keeps them supple and you are out in the fresh air."

Wythall Bowling Club has around 100 members, ranging from those in their early 20s, right through to their mid-80s. There are 14 teams playing on the green, 20 of the members are over 80 years old and the club is used everyday.

People have also reported other incidents of anti-social behaviour, as well as the bike

riding, including youths 'smoking weed near the park's buildings'.

Coun Adam Kent, who represents Wythall on Worcestershire County Council, said: "It's extremely disappointing that a community asset like Wythall Park and the Bowling Club which bring so much pleasure to so many people has been treated in this way."

"Unfortunately, incidents like this are going to lead to calls for increased security and CCTV

but why should the club have to foot the bill for this because of the despicable actions of the mindless few."

He urged anyone who saw any suspicious activity at the site, had witnessed damage or who knew who the culprits were to pass on information to the police.

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Hamish was born at Churchfields Farm in Droitwich and the public helped choose his name. s

Hamish checks in

CHURCHFIELDS Farm, in Droitwich, has welcomed a new Highland cow calf – and enlisted the public’s help naming him.

The youngster arrived safe and sound last week and Churchfields reported mum and calf were doing really well and could be seen on the site’s latest highland cow tours.

Stuck for a name, the farm invited its Facebook followers to suggest monikers.

Yesterday, the farm confirmed Hamish – a traditional Scottish name – has been chosen.

“Hamish and his mum have now been relocated in the animal paddocks and are settling in ready for visitors this weekend,” the farm added.

Visit facebook.com/churchfieldsicecream, for more about Churchfields Farm.

Apply for some grant funding

by **Andres de Miguel**

VOLUNTARY and community groups in Bromsgrove district are being invited to bid for up to £1,000 of the council’s £10,000 equality small grant funding.

The grants, now in their 12th year, are designed to support smaller voluntary, charitable and community organisations and groups which find it difficult to meet the criteria needed for larger sums.

The funding is aimed at supporting activities or projects which benefit the community, address and challenge inequality, boost equality and/or celebrate diversity.

Councillor Karen May, Bromsgrove District Council leader, said: “I’m proud we are able to continue to back the smaller organisations

with substantial grants which make such a difference to them. The types of projects these grants are supporting are important to furthering and celebrating equality in the Bromsgrove district.

“This kind of financial support is key to enabling these groups to grow, which in turn, enhances the district in its entirety.”

This year’s equality small grant pot applies to projects and activities scheduled to be delivered in the current financial year which will end on March 31. Applications are open and the deadline is midday on April 30.

The way projects are scored has changed so groups and organisations are advised to look at the new criteria before submitting their applications.

Visit bromsgrove.gov.uk and search for ‘equality small grants scheme 2026-2027’ for more information on the programme, how to apply and an application form.

Armed robbers raid post office

THREE men escaped with cash after an armed robbery at Wychbold Post Office on Monday morning.

The trio – two black, one white and all wearing balaclavas – entered the premises, on Worcester Road, and held staff up at knifepoint.

One victim sustained injuries to his head and hand and the raiders took cash from the safe.

Det Sgt Lance Pritchard, from West Mercia Police, said officers were investigating and urged anyone who saw anything suspicious in the area at the time to

come forward. “In particular, we would like to hear from anyone who saw the three men entering or leaving the post office or anyone who may have dashcam or CCTV footage from Worcester Road around 9.40am,” he said.

“Even the smallest detail could be vital to our investigation and identify those responsible.”

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LEFT: Adrian Cottrell promised the former owner of this 1967 Post Office Morris Minor van that he would preserve it how it was. MIDDLE: Maurice Palmer in his 1936 Austin Hertford. Pictures by Tristan Harris. © Bullivant Media Group Ltd. RIGHT: Charlie and Andy Hatton with their 'his and hers' MGs.

Transports of delight

CARS and crowds descended on Cofton Park on Saturday as 20 years of Pride of Longbridge was celebrated.

Hundreds of maintained or lovingly restored vehicles - all built at Longbridge - glistened in the spring sunshine as enthusiasts chatted and former employees of MG Rover and 'the Austin' met up to reminisce.

Adrian Cottrell, who took along his 1967 Post Office Morris Minor van, said: "I bought it two years ago with all the original equipment in it and promised the owner I would preserve it how it was."

"I always wanted something a bit quirky and I love it."

Charlie and Andy Hatton, from Stoke-on-Trent, arrived in their 'his and hers' MGs - Birmingham-born and bred Elaine in her MG ZR and Andy in his MG ZS 180.

She said: "I saw a couple at another get-together with 'Mr and Mrs' cars so thought we would have 'His and Hers'."

Maurice Palmer from Rubery, who was in one of his two Austins - a 1936 Austin

Hertford - had a big affiliation with the Austin and MG Rover plant.

As chief instructor in the mid-1960s, he ran the Austin Apprentice Training School and later he was in charge of Leyland International's engineering training school in Nigeria.

One group from Germany - Bavaria, Berlin, Dresden and Hannover - brought six cars. Among them were Rover 75s, an MG ZS, an MG ZR and a Rover Coupe.

Christopher Horn said: "They are very special cars and quite rare these days - you don't see them everyday and they have character."

Ramiro Garcia, Cristina Martinez and Alfredo Escudero journeyed from near Madrid and met up with Gonzalo Latorre - a Spaniard living in England.

Ramiro said: "We came here last year but were unable to bring our Rover. This year we have finally got it back here to where it was made."

Elaine and Alan Hipkiss, from Redditch, try to attend every year with their 1948 Austin 16Bs.



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Members of the Commonwealth Car Club, who were at Pride of Longbridge event, said owners of any cars are welcome to join the group. Picture by Tristan Harris. Copyright Bullivant Media Group Ltd.

Car club is part of games legacy

by **Tristan Harris**
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THE COMMONWEALTH Car Club attended the Pride of Longbridge car festival on Saturday.

The club was started by Jordan Tocknell and its membership, to begin with, comprised owners of the cars which were used in the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games' opening ceremony.

Red, white and blue vehicles, all built at Longbridge, were positioned in formation to create a giant Union Flag in the centre of the Alexander Stadium to open the games.

One of the original members, Cat Vichare, said: "It was a real intense time in the run-up to the games: we were rehearsing for whole days over the weekend for two months beforehand."

"Everybody got on so well and supported

each other and, when it finished, we wanted to stay in touch and meet up. Jordan was fantastic and organised it all."

The club has been going for two years now and has the motto 'fueled by friendship'.

Members hold their own get-together each year, back at the Alexander Stadium, and have attended other motoring events, such as the Classic Car Show at the NEC.

There is also a Commonwealth Car Club Facebook page which has more than 8,000 members from all over the world.

Member Jonathan Cotterill said: "Everyone is welcome to join and we have members from most countries – all you need is a passion for cars."

"The vehicles do not have to be built at Longbridge or in the UK – they can be from anywhere – it's just people who love their cars coming together in a community."

Search for 'Commonwealth Car Club' on Facebook for more about the group.

Bromsgrove playwright's new work

A NEW comedy by Bromsgrove playwright Roger Goddard is coming to Droitwich's Norbury Theatre.

The Devil Wears Trainers will run from May 6 to 9, with performances at 7.30pm each evening and a Saturday matinee at 2.30pm.

The play centres on Alf, who is down on his luck: his wife has left him, he has been made redundant and he is forced to live with his son and daughter-in-law.

Alf is also a bit of a layabout and – to his daughter-in-law's annoyance – seems reluctant to find a job and somewhere else to live.

He has also joined a conservation group called The Friends of Dogwood Common but is he really community spirited or does he have an ulterior motive?

Only time will tell.

The play marks Roger's 50 years in an dram, which has seen him involved in all aspects of theatre – from acting and backstage work to writing.

The Devil Wears Trainers is Roger's third play for the Norbury Players, after *Addicts Anonymous* and *Men In Green*.

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A marathon bid to foster support

by **Tristan Harris**
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A RUNNER will undertake his fifth London Marathon on Sunday, to raise funds for – and champion – the Barnardo's Foster Care Appeal.

Adam Kent, Worcestershire County Councillor for Wythall and the area's Conservative Group leader, wants to highlight an urgent recruitment campaign for more foster carers.

Coun Kent, 62, is hoping to set a personal best (PB) and has set himself a target of £3,000 on his fundraising page.

The cause is close to Coun Kent's heart. In his county role, he has made the welfare of vulnerable children a cornerstone of his work, particularly championing the recruitment of foster carers.

Coun Kent said: "Too many children across Worcestershire and the wider UK are currently being placed far from their home communities due to a critical shortage of foster carers – I am determined to help change that."

"Barnardo's works tirelessly to ensure every child has a safe and loving home and the need for foster carers has never been greater."

"The charity has a desperate need for more foster carers and thousands of children across the country are waiting for foster placements, with many forced to move away from their schools, friends and communities simply because there are not enough carers available locally."

Coun Kent said this London Marathon meant more to him than his previous four.

"The foster care crisis is real and it is happening right here in Worcestershire," he said. "Children are being uprooted from communities because we simply don't have enough local foster carers."

"Barnardo's does incredible work supporting these children and families and I want to use every step of those 26.2 miles to shine a light on that need."

"I'm asking anyone who has ever considered fostering to please look into it – you could change a child's life."

Coun Kent – pictured – has raised thousands of pounds for charities including the Wythall Memory Cafe, Dementia UK, the Get A-Head Charitable Trust and Brain Research UK. He said by attempting a PB at the age of 62, he also wants to show age is no barrier to ambition, on the road or in public life.

Visit justgiving.com/page/adamkent for Coun Kent's fundraising page and to donate.

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Grace secures a shot at Ladies European Tour

by **Tristan Harris**
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A DROITWICH golfer has won the prestigious Helen Holm Scottish Women's Open Championship.

Grace Bowen, who is studying mathematics at the University of Stirling, hit birdies (one shot under par) on five of the holes.

Grace, pictured, won the title by two shots from nearest challenger, Ireland's Jessica Ross, in the 54-hole stroke-play event.

The Droitwich ace's rounds of 71 and 69, at the Portland Course on Friday and Saturday, were followed by a 71 round the Old Course at Royal Troon.

That left her on five-under par for the championship and ahead of the chasing pack, led by Ross.

There was drama until the end when Ross – trailing by three playing the final hole – saw her approach, from 140 yards, strike the pin and dance around the cup.

An eagle from the fairway would have turned the heat up on Grace.

While Ross made an easy birdie to shoot a brilliant round of 68, Grace created a steady par for her 71 and that proved enough to seal a deserved title.

The week began with 120 golfers from 15 different countries vying for the title.

As well as this victory, earlier in the year Grace won a Student Tour Series event in Spain.

Last year she finished runner-up in the English Women's Amateur Championship at Royal Liverpool.

The Scottish Open, however, 'tops the lot', Grace said.

She added: "I'm just so happy to have won."

"To win a stroke-play event of this importance is the best victory to date."

"It's been a great week in challenging conditions and Jess made it really difficult for me but I'm so proud to have won."

Grace, with her dad caddying for her throughout the week, joins the likes of Mel Reid, Annabell Dimmock and Lily May Humphreys as leading English players to have won the Helen Holm title.

She said: "I've now got exams coming up so the clubs will be locked away for a week or two."

"But I'll enjoy this for a few more hours before I start to think about time in the library."

As well as the distinctive championship trophy, Grace also receives an invite to a Ladies European Tour Access Series event because the Helen Holm a counting event towards the new European Amateur Order of Merit.



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 He asked to gain access to the back garden through the property but the victim suspected he was not an officer and declined.

A 60-year-old man has since been arrested on suspicion of attempted burglary and impersonating a police officer. He was also wanted on recall to prison.
 PC Lyndon Jackson said: "Impersonating a police officer is a serious offence and we understand this incident may cause concern. Genuine police officers will always be happy to verify their identity."
 Anyone unsure should ask to see a warrant card or, if necessary, call 101 to confirm an officer's details.



Ben during the London Marathon. s

He's in the running

A REDDITCH man will be pounding the streets around Stratford this weekend in his latest funding raising effort for the Primrose Hospice and Family Support Centre.
 John Truslove joint MD Ben Truslove will take on the Stratford Half Marathon and look to significantly increase the £15,000 plus he has already raised for the charity.
 His running CV also includes The Great North Run, Kenilworth Half Marathon, Alton Towers Half Marathon, Weston Super Half

Marathon, Birmingham Half Marathon, Cannock Chase Half Marathon, Worcester Marathon, Chester Marathon and Stratford Triathlon.
 Ben said: "The Primrose Hospice is a cause very close to my heart and I hope as many as possible will find the time to donate as every penny raised helps individuals and families at a critical point in their lives."
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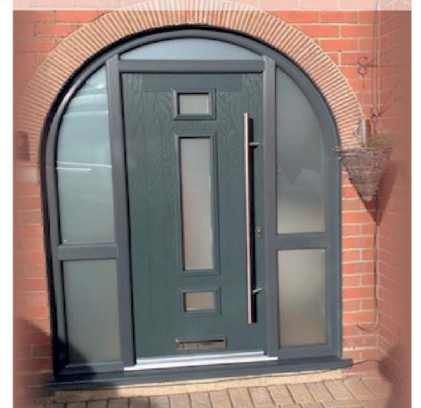
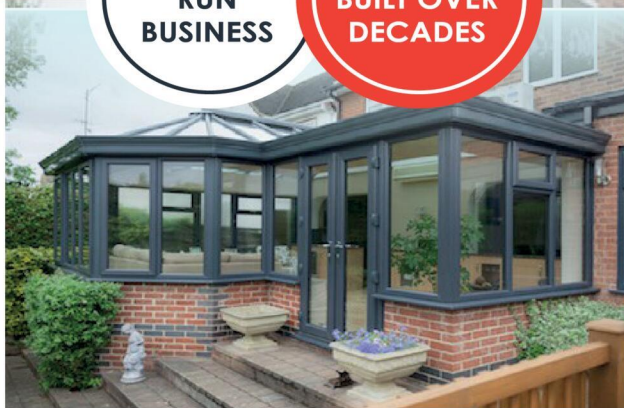


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New leader for county council

by Ashleigh Osborne
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REFORM-led Worcestershire County Council has a new leader, following a vote on Friday evening.

Former Conservative councillor Alan Amos won 15-10 against Coun Jo Monk in an internal leadership vote.

The group carried out the vote at its annual general meeting, with all 25 Reform county councillors having the chance to cast a ballot.

Coun Monk will remain as leader, however, until a full council meeting on May 14.

The deputy leader will again be Coun Rob Wharton, who secured his position following a closely-contested election that was decided by a single vote.

Coun Wharton was deputy to Coun Monk.

Other parties have criticised the Reform leadership contest – the most vocal being the Conservatives – the party Couns Monk and Amos previously belonged to.

Redditch Conservatives said Coun Monk had betrayed the town.

“From raising your council tax to cutting investment in the Redditch railway station, Jo has lost sight of the people who put her there,” said the Tory group.

“The Reform group is in chaos, with 15 voting for a new leader and 10 supporting the old.

“Residents will now face weeks of internal fighting, trying to line up a new cabinet and try and broker deals.

“Residents deserve better – they deserve a united group fighting for them.

“This is what happens when Reform runs councils.

“Don’t let them do the same to Redditch.”

Coun Amos has served the public across the political spectrum and started his career as a Conservative MP in Northumberland in the late 1980s and early '90s.

He later became a Labour councillor in London and Worcester and then rejoined the Conservatives in 2015, only to quit the Tories a second time before joining Reform last year.



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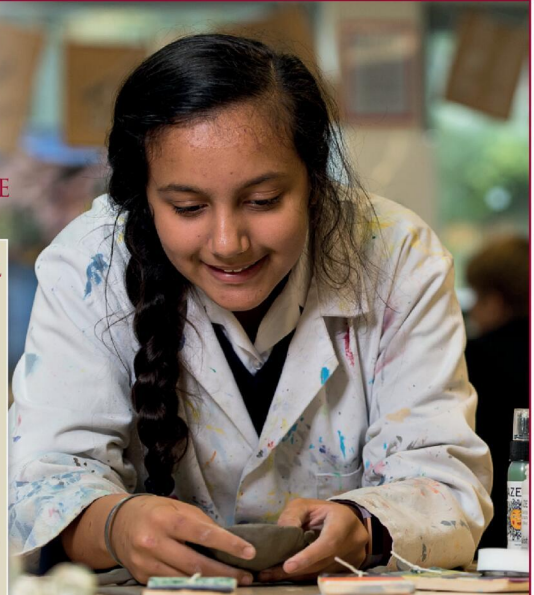
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Muddy marvellous shortlist

BUSINESSES from Bromsgrove and Droitwich have been named as finalists for the Worcestershire section of the Muddy Stiletto awards.

Some 4,830 finalists have been selected, from 23 regions, for the 13th annual awards. Of those, 210 are from Gloucestershire and Worcestershire, including three from Bromsgrove and one from Droitwich.

St Pearl, in Bromsgrove, has been named a finalist for best hair salon.

Charley Butler, from Go Mama Go, in Bromsgrove, has made the

shortlist for the best sport and fitness instructor; as has Julie Liggins, from Droitwich's Julie Liggins Fitness.

Bromsgrove's Be You Be Yoga is up for the best yoga or pilates studio prize.

The finalists have been chosen by their customers and visitors to the Muddy Stiletto lifestyle site.

The final round of voting has begun and will run until May 26, with the winners to be announced on June 16.

Visit glosworcs.muddystiletto.co.uk/awards/finalists/ to vote for your favourite business.



Stoke Road partial closure is lifted

Stoke Road has re-opened. s

by Ryan Smith
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STOKE Road, in Bromsgrove, has reopened to two-way traffic in what highways bosses called a 'major milestone' for the A38 Bromsgrove route enhancement programme.

'Scheme C' of the project includes planned improvements to vehicle flow and crossing facilities at the junction between the A38, Stoke Road and Charford Road.

The road was reduced to one-way traffic to enable the widening of Stoke Road Bridge so a third traffic lane can be built.

Improvements include a realignment of lanes to enhance ahead and right-turn movements and improved access into the left-turn lane towards the A38 southbound.

Planned overnight closures took place between April 16 and Tuesday.

A section of a temporary road

surface is in place with final surfacing to be completed in the coming months, along with the final elements of scheme C.

Councillor Nik Price, Worcestershire County Council cabinet member for highways and transport, said: "Reopening Stoke Road to two-way traffic is a significant achievement and a real success story for Bromsgrove."

"This has been a complex part of the overall project but it was essential to deliver the long-term improvements our residents and businesses need."

"By widening the bridge and improving the road layout, we are increasing capacity, easing congestion and making journeys safer and more reliable for everyone."

"I would like to thank the community for their patience while these works were carried out - this investment will deliver lasting benefits for years to come."

The county council said it would continue to monitor traffic movements over the weekend and into peak periods this week, to ensure

the new layout was operating effectively for all users.

The \$50million A38 Bromsgrove route enhancement programme is aimed at tackling congestion, improving journey reliability and supporting economic growth across the area.

'Scheme D' focuses on the junction where the A38 meets New Road - an additional southbound lane is being added to increase capacity and an additional lane from New Road is being introduced, along with walking and cycle route improvements.

'Scheme E' centres on The Oakalls roundabout, with additional lanes to be added, including an extra exit lane on Stratford Road. Pedestrian crossings will be upgraded, carriageways widened and additional signals added.

'Scheme F' - to widen the Birmingham Road near the M42 island and close the School Lane junction to make it left turn only - should be complete by October.

Visit worcestershire.gov.uk/a38brep for more information.

Should've gone to Droitwich

PEOPLE were queuing from 5.30am on Tuesday to be first through the doors at Droitwich's new Iceland supermarket.

The shop, in St Andrews Square Shopping Centre, has brought 22 new jobs.

To celebrate the store opening, Iceland gave away £1,500 worth of vouchers to the first 150 customers.

The store will open between 8am and 6pm Monday to Saturday, and from 10am to 4pm on Sundays.

Poundland, which used to occupy the building, closed in December.

Lizzi McFarlane, store manager at Iceland Foods, Droitwich, said: "We're so pleased to welcome shoppers to our brand-new Iceland store."

"Everyone was so excited for the grand opening - people started queuing from 5.30am."

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■ Droitwich has a new Iceland. Picture by Paul Jones. s

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PLANS have been approved for an urban logistics development in Redditch.

Called Aurora Park, the scheme is being delivered by a joint venture between urban logistics property developer and investment manager Chancerygate and global real estate investor Hines.

Based at North Moons Moat industrial estate, it will comprise of nine leasehold units and work is scheduled to start on site this summer.

Chancerygate development manager, Rob Watts, who is based in the company's

Birmingham office, said: "We can now move forward with Aurora Park in a part of the West Midlands where there is strong demand for modern, sustainable business space.

"There is a clear requirement in Redditch and the wider region for strategically-located accommodation that meets the needs of a broad range of businesses.

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A DAY centre which operates across Bromsgrove, Redditch and Worcester has been recognised for its outstanding contribution to community care, securing the prestigious Award of Excellence 2026.

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Founded by care professional Natalie Allcock, the VIP Day Centre was born out of personal experience.

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The centres also place a strong emphasis on wellbeing, offering nutritious home-cooked meals and achieving a five-star food hygiene rating.

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Richard Muirhead, West Mercia Police's director of commercial services, with Police and Crime Commissioner John Campion, and head of estate services, Chris O'Hara. s

UK pension funds 'used to help US terminals'

by Josephine Moulds and Simon Lock

PENSION savers in Worcestershire have been unwittingly bankrolling the rapid expansion of gas terminals in the United States, according to a recent investigation.

A total of 60 local government pension funds, including that of Worcestershire County Council's, have invested a total of £8 billion into the construction of gas ports all along the Gulf Coast, according to revelations by the Bureau of Investigative Journalism.

Over 7 million school staff, civil servants and other public sector workers either save with, or receive their pension from local government pension schemes.

Baroness Hayman, a non-party political peer, told the Bureau: "Many UK pension funds are already reducing their exposure

to fossil fuels, recognising the risks these investments pose.

"But with £3 trillion held in UK pensions, and the climate and nature challenge growing, there is a clear opportunity to better protect savers from rising financial and environmental risks."

UK savers in 12 local government pension schemes, including Worcestershire's, have invested over £360 million in Stonepeak funds that financed these plants, according to figures from council records and data provider Pitchbook.

Worcestershire Pension Fund said it invested through structures that meant 'exposure to any single asset was indirect, limited and a very small component of a broader portfolio'.

It said to its knowledge the Stonepeak fund in question 'published detailed annual reports and complied fully with statutory disclosure requirements'.

Stonepeak declined to comment on the record.

A SCHEME undertaken by West Mercia Police has led to the force saving £75,000 on electricity and decreasing its annual carbon emissions by 80 tonnes.

In 2023, a programme was launched by Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) John Campion's Estates 'invest-to-save' with the first LED lighting replacement project at Kidderminster Police Station.

Strong financial and environmental returns were demonstrated in 2025, allowing the project to expand across Worcester, Telford, Bromsgrove and Leominster Police stations.

Coinciding with this week's Earth Day on Wednesday (April 22), the PCC announced the project was about to start at Hindlip - the force's main headquarters.

Lighting replacement work will take place shortly after at Market Drayton, Evesham and Bridgnorth.

Through these recent improvements, total savings on electricity is expected to reach £125,000 every year starting from the end of 2026, along with 130 tonnes of reduced emissions.

Mr Campion said: "Our invest to save programme focuses on both financial and environmental sustainability, whilst not adversely contributing to the climate challenge that we all face."

He highlighted the importance of commercial investment and environmental responsibility.

Richard Muirhead, West Mercia Police's director of commercial services, said: "By reducing energy consumption and reinvesting those savings, we are ensuring a better value for the public while building a more sustainable and efficient policing estate for the future."

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A marathon bid to remember campaigner dad



Mandy, right, with her father Sam, left, and Ant. s

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THE family of a much-loved kidney-health campaigner will take on the TCS London Marathon on Sunday in his memory, raising funds to continue the work he dedicated his life to.

Mandy and Ant McGreevy are running for Kidney Research UK in honour of Mandy's dad, Sam Kang, who died in January 2025, aged 66, after a 26-year battle with kidney disease.

Sam was a passionate volunteer with the charity, working alongside his wife Pam to raise awareness of kidney disease and organ donation, particularly within South Asian communities.

Mandy said: "Supporting Kidney Research UK was one of the most important things in dad's life.

"It's incredibly sad that he won't be there to watch us complete it.

"We'll be running in his memory, keeping his legacy alive.

"It will be emotional and there will be tears. I just hope we'll do him proud."

Sam, from Redditch, was first diagnosed with kidney failure in 2000 and spent 12 years on dialysis before receiving a transplant.

Wife Pam had wanted to give Sam her kidney but wasn't a match so the couple joined the UK Living Kidney Sharing Scheme and she was able to donate to a stranger whose loved one donated their kidney to Sam, in turn. Sam's donated kidney lasted 13 years before, sadly, failing last year.

Mandy added: "Dad was so strong-willed and fought kidney disease so bravely over so many years.

"However, it really did take its toll in the months before he passed away.

"When he went into hospital with another infection in January, we just assumed he would be home again soon.

"It was a complete shock when we received the phone call to say he had passed away. It is hard to accept that he is gone."

Alongside his own treatment, Sam dedicated years to helping others understand kidney disease and encouraging organ donation.

"Together with Pam, he became a peer educator volunteer for

Kidney Research UK, sharing his experiences, especially with South Asian communities.

Pam said: "Sam was very happy to volunteer. He didn't want anyone else to go through what he had. We encouraged many people to become organ donors, which was amazing. I will continue volunteering in Sam's memory. He will always be with me."

People from South Asian communities often face longer waiting times for kidney transplants

due to a shortage of donors from minority ethnic groups – something Sam wanted to change.

Now, his family are continuing that mission, with his daughter and son-in-law raising vital funds for Kidney Research UK at the London Marathon.

Mandy said: "This is a huge challenge for me and Ant. We've never taken on something as big as this. Every time I'm having a difficult training run, I hear dad's voice in my head pushing me on.

"Thinking of him will keep us going on the day."

Pam will be among those cheering them on.

She said: "Sam was very proud that they were taking part and he'll be in our hearts.

"It's a great way to raise more awareness about kidney disease in his honour, and every penny matters."

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Spring Cleaning: Refreshing Your Home

One of the first and most important tasks in the spring season is to conduct a thorough spring cleaning. This involves more than just your regular cleaning routine; it's about

deep cleaning every nook and cranny of your home.

- **Decluttering:** Begin by sorting through your belongings. Gather items that you no longer need or use and consider donating them or organising a garage sale. This will not only declutter your space but also make your home more inviting.
- **Dust and Clean:** Focus on areas that are often overlooked during routine cleaning, such as ceiling fans, light fixtures, baseboards, and behind appliances. Dust accumulated over the winter can trigger allergies, so a good spring clean can greatly improve your home environment.
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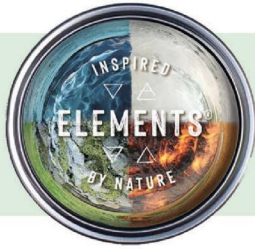
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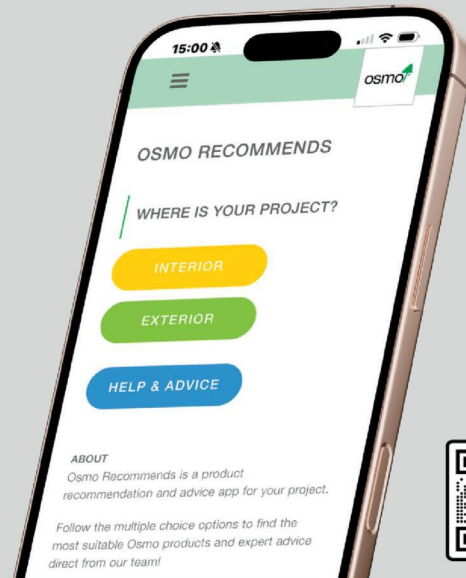
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The Jets face against the Sharks.

Nailing a modern musical classic

by Lise Evans
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WEST Side Story, with its iconic Leonard Bernstein score and Stephen Sondheim lyrics, remains a timeless and contemporary classic.

Set in New York's West Side, the original Broadway show burst onto the stage in 1957, becoming an instant hit.

In 1961, a film adaptation, starring Natalie Wood, Rita Moreno, George Chakiris and others, was released and was regarded as one of the best musical films ever made.

With its high-energy, all-

singing, all-dancing score, it took 10 Oscars at the 34th Academy Awards, in 1962.

This modern retelling of *Romeo and Juliet*, exploring love, social tension and prejudice against immigrants, posed a challenge for an am-dram group.

Studley Operatic Society's (SOS) production, at Redditch's Palace Theatre, did not disappoint. In fact it delighted, entertained and enthralled the audience from beginning to end – you could have heard a pin drop.

From the very beginning, which opens with a balletic prologue depicting escalating tensions between rival street gangs – the Jets, comprised

of 'American' boys, and the immigrant, Puerto Rican Sharks – the audience knew they were in for a treat.

The show had spectacular choreography by Debbie Mitchell, which set the scene from the off with a strong cast of leads and supporting actors – everyone was committed to their roles.

There was sublime singing from the leads with a stand-out performance by Paul Mitchell, as Tony, whose voice was as mellifluous as they come.

Dancing and musical teacher Molly-Rose Pughe shone as the feisty Anita, in her first performance with SOS. She held the stage during her

many songs and it was difficult to believe this was a non-professional cast.

The innocence of Maria was delightfully captured by Laura Munro and her first duet with Tony encapsulated the heady feeling of a first love.

Also worthy of mention is Ed Mears, as the Jets' leader, Riff, and Tony Morgan as Action, but really, the entire ensemble deserves much praise.

The vocals were top-notch and a sound to behold. Accompanied by a 14-piece orchestra under the musical direction of Nick Allen, it's no mean feat to sing live while performing and dancing.

All those favourite songs – *Maria, America, Tonight, I Feel Pretty, Somewhere, Cool* – were sung superbly well.

The acting too, was admirably accomplished, under the dynamic direction of husband-and-wife team Alison and Kevin Hiron.

The atmosphere in the house was genuinely electric as the final scene unfolded, with a distraught Maria confronting the two gangs.

It has to be said too, there was a distinctive sound of tears from the audience at the final, tragic moment, which demonstrated the drama had made its mark.

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And cry so many tears.
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Not because you tell me so,
For when the time is right,
I will be the one to know.

Daughter Pat
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DEATHS

Iris Dyer

(nee Coles)

Very sadly passed away 13th April 2026
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DEATHS

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Phil



It is with great sadness that Phil passed away peacefully with his loved ones by his side on 3rd April 2026

A very much loved and loving husband to Karen. Dad to Ema, Stacey and Mark. Grandad to Nate and Atrayu.

A service to celebrate Phil's life will take place on 15th May at 11.30 at Waseley Hills Crematorium followed at the Holiday Inn, Kidderminster Road where everyone is welcome to come and raise a glass for Phil.

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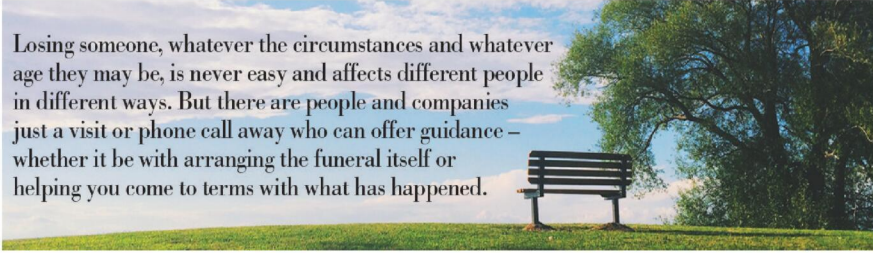
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25/00798/573 ADVSTD MAJ
Site: Land At Perryfields Road, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire

Proposal: Application for the variation of part of the wording of Conditions 32 and 33 of Outline Planning Application 16/0335 (allowed at appeal (Appeal Reference: APP/P1805/W/20/3265948)) to amend the occupation trigger numbers included within the aforementioned conditions comprising the following:
Condition 32 Amending the occupation trigger for a roundabout at the Junction of Rock Hill/Fox Lane from 100 dwellings to 398 dwellings; amending the occupation trigger for cycle improvements along Stourbridge Road from 100 dwellings to 153 dwellings; amending the occupation trigger for improvements at the Worcester Road/Shrubbery Road junction from 100 dwellings to 550 dwellings and; Condition 33 Amending the occupation trigger for a signal-controlled junction on the A448 Kidderminster Road from 200 dwellings to 396 dwellings; and roundabout works on the A448 Kidderminster Road from 200 dwellings to 332 dwellings.

26/00397/FUL DEP MAJ
Site: Land At Birmingham Road, Lickey End, Worcestershire

Proposal: Construction of a 72no. bedroom Extra Care Home facility (C2) with access and egress via Birmingham Road (A38), parking area, substation, cycle and bin stores, communal amenity area, landscaping, earthworks and other associated works. The proposed development does not accord with the provisions of the development plan in force in the area to which the application relates

26/00409/FUL LB ADVSTD FPS
Site: Hartle Farmhouse, 88 Hartle Lane, Belbroughton, Worcestershire, DY9 3TN

Proposal: Construction of timber-framed carport within the constraints of an existing walled hardstanding

26/00410/LBC LB ADVSTD FPS
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26/00281/FUL DEP
Site: Land At 41 High House Drive, Lickey, Worcestershire, B45 8ET

Proposal: New dwelling house, new access and associated external works (Resubmission of 24/01273/FUL)

The proposed development does not accord with the provisions of the development plan in force in the area to which the application relates

26/00427/FUL CA
Site: 5 Cherry Hill Avenue, Barnet Green, Worcestershire, B45 8LA

Proposal: First Floor Side Extension and Single Storey Rear Extension, Partial Conversion of Garage to form utility room and removal of one existing chimney

Application forms and plans may be inspected online https://publicaccess.bromsgrovestandard.gov.uk/online-applications

Comments can be submitted online, via email to newplan@bromsgrovestandard.gov.uk or in writing Planning Services, Redditch Town Hall, Walter Stranz Square, Redditch, B98 8AH.

Comments should be made within 17 days of the date of this publication. The Council does not acknowledge comments but will make these available for inspection online.

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Warwickshire County Council has made the following Temporary Traffic Orders:

C41 PELHAM LANE, GREAT ALNE AND C46 PELHAM LANE, HASELON

Order Effect: Roads closed between Henley Road/Village Road and Walcote Road/Lower Haselton Lane.
Reason for Order: Carriageway patching works, closed 09.30hrs - 15.00hrs.
Order Commences: 27 April 2026 for up to 18 months.

Anticipated Completion: 1 May 2026.

Access & Diversion: B4089 Henley Road/Alcester Road, Whitehouse Hill, Bearly Road, Wilmcote Lane, Billesley Road, A46, Trench Lane (Stratford Road), Lower Haselton Lane and vice versa. Vehicular access & egress will be maintained where possible and safe to do so for businesses and residents only. There will be no access/egress to/from Wood Lane via Pelham Lane whilst works are in progress.

Contractor: Balfour Beatty, Tel: 03452 415302.

RIDSDALE CLOSE, SALFORD PRIORS

Order Effect: Road closed to vehicular traffic.

Reason for Order: Works to rectify defect in the carriageway.

Order Commences: 28 April 2026 for up to 18 months.

Anticipated Completion: 30 April 2026.

Access & Diversion: School Road, St Matthews Close, Perkins Close and vice versa.

Contractor: M&A Doocey Civil Engineering Limited, Tel: 0121 520 9874.

WILLOUGHBY CLOSE AND KINGS COUGHTON, ALCESTER

Order Effect: Roads closed to vehicular traffic.

Reason for Order: To safely enable sewer lining works.

Order Commences: 27 April 2026 for up to 18 months.

Anticipated Completion: 28 April 2026.

Access & Diversion: Kings Coughton Lane, Alcester Heath, Birmingham Road and vice versa.

Contractor: Sapphire Utility Solutions, Tel: 0777 511 4473.

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S. Duxbury, Director of Strategy, Planning & Governance, Shire Hall, Warwick CV34 4RL Date 24 April 2026

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NOTICE OF MAKING AN ORDER HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981 WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL DIVISION OF HB-559, FORMERLY FOOTPATH No.14, IN THE PARISH OF HANBURY PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION AND DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER 2026

The above Order, made on 16 April 2026 under Section 119 of the Highways Act 1980, and Section 53A(2) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 will divert the public footpath, and modify the definitive map and statement for Worcestershire accordingly; The entire length and entire width of HB-559 in the parish of Hanbury, to be diverted, commencing at Ordnance Survey Grid Reference (OSGR) SO 9549 6416. The footpath proceeds in a SE direction for 42 metres (m) to the hedge marking the boundary of the school field OSGR SO 9551, 6414 and in an ESE direction for 95m to OSGR SO 9562 64129. The diverted length of HB-559, in the parish of Hanbury has a width of 2m and commences on the footway running between the school and the car park off C2079 School Rd, 35m NE of the steps, at OSGR SO 9552 6417. Proceeding SE between the school field and a safety barrier, for 25m to OSGR SO 9553 6415 and then SW for 9m to the gate at OSGR SO 9553 6415 with a width of 2m SE for 93m to join the original route at OSGR SO 9562, 6412.

A copy of the order and the order map have been placed and may be seen free of charge at Droitwich Library, Victoria Square, Droitwich Spa, Worcestershire WR9 8DQ during core opening hours. Library computer use can be pre-booked on 01905 822722 or via the following email address: DroitwichLib@worcestershire.gov.uk (copies may be printed at the library; usual charges apply).

The documents can also be viewed online at: <https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/council-services/environment/countryside-and-leisure/public-rights-way/public-rights-way-order>

Any representations about or objections to the order may be sent in writing to the Mapping Manager, Public Rights of Way Mapping Team, Worcestershire County Council Wildwood, Wildwood Drive, Worcester, WR5 2QT or countryside@worcestershire.gov.uk, not later than 22nd May 2026. Please state the grounds on which they are made.

If no such representations or objections are duly made, or if any made are withdrawn, the County Council may confirm the order as an unopposed order. If the order is sent to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs for confirmation any representations and objections which have not been withdrawn will be sent with the order.

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C-Class goes electric

THE C-Class has always been one of Mercedes-Benz's best-selling and most popular model series - a success story defined by innovation.

Now Mercedes is once again taking the lead and redefining the segment with the first all-new electric C-Class.

It remains true to its core values of elegance, comfort, intelligence and sportiness, raising each of them to a new level.

With this electric model, Merc gives customers another compelling way to drive their very own C-Class - a saloon that perfectly expresses their individuality and lifestyles.

Get in, close the doors and feel at home - that's what has distinguished the C-Class for generations.

Customers value it as a comfortable refuge where they can relax and recharge, away from daily stress.

The all-new electric C-Class elevates this "welcome home" feeling to new heights - with a level of quality and comfort that clearly stands out in this segment.

It impressively embodies what Merc, as the inventor of the automobile, has stood for over the past 140 years.

With its coupé-like silhouette, iconic grille featuring 1,050 illuminated dots and expressive GT rear, the all-new electric C-Class passionately embodies the latest Mercedes-Benz design language, making it a unique and highly desirable statement in the midsize segment.

The all-new electric C-Class provides excellent climate comfort shortly after getting in, even in winter and without pre-conditioning.

The electric saloon is an extremely agile cornering machine and as smooth as an S-Class on long journeys, 4.5-degree rear-axle steering, reducing turning circle to 11.2 metres, and AIRMATIC air suspension with predictive damping based on Car-to-X4 and Google Maps data.

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This keeps the C-Class fresh for years to come, adding new functions without having to visit a workshop - from entertainment to driving assistance systems.

The all-new electric C-Class has a range of up to 762 kilometres thanks to high aerodynamics and innovations such as the heat pump and the one-box braking system with a recuperation power of up to 300 kW.

800-volt technology and a new battery with 94 kWh of usable energy content enable a recharged range of up to 325 kilometres in just 10 minutes.

The electric saloon is also ready for bidirectional charging5, turning it into a mobile energy storage unit.

The all-new electric C-Class impresses in everyday use, on journeys and in leisure time. It offers plenty of storage space thanks to its generous interior, variable boot and an unrivalled 101-litre frunk (liquid).

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Wolves set for play-off final clash with Solent Kestrels in Manchester

BASKETBALL: WORCESTER Wolves will face Solent Kestrels in the National Basketball League play-off final this weekend.

The Wolves face top seeds Solent following an 82-66 victory against Manchester Magic in the play-off semi-finals.

The final takes place on Sunday, April 26 with the tip-off at 4pm at the National Basketball Performance Centre in Manchester.

Worcester finished the season unbeaten at home in 14 matches and Wolves coach Dean Blake issued a rallying call for fans to show their support by making the trip to the play-off final.

Blake said: "To win every one of our matches in Worcester this year has been a great achievement."

"Solent have a hell of a team. There's a lot of work for us to do to prepare for them, but I believe in our players."

"We have to make Manchester our home venue on April 26th."

"We definitely need as many fans as possible to travel up to support us - they've been with us all season and we now want them there to bring us over the line just one more time."

"We will leave everything on the floor in Manchester."

Worcester only confirmed their place in the final in the last few minutes as a back-and-forth contest saw Manchester 63-62 ahead with five minutes remaining.

Dean Blake has guided Worcester to the play-off final. Picture courtesy of Worcester Wolves.



However, the Wolves ended the game with a blistering 19-4 burst to take victory at the University of Worcester Arena.

Blake added: "I'm so proud of the guys. It's been such a long road but it's what we've worked for all season and now we've made it through."

"Manchester didn't make it easy for us. Aaron Bile is so good, Jack Walton is so good and their coach Joshua Perkins is so good."

"But we had our goals, and we met our goals. Our target was to

keep them under 70 points and that's what we did."

Star forward Earl Burgess led the way for Wolves with 26 points and 13 rebounds in a double-double display much to the delight of Blake.

Blake said: "In my view, Earl is the most valuable player of the whole league - he's certainly been our MVP, so consistent and so reliable on and off the floor for us."

"But on a different day anyone can step up. For instance, last

time out Emmanuel Yeboah had a sensational match and then Fin Rennie came in with a burst of aggression that helped turn the game."

"We've got a deep squad and I'm thrilled that I was able to get everyone on the floor to enjoy playing in front of our fans here in Worcester for the last time this season."

Just two minutes into the match, Manchester floor-leader Walton nailed a three to nudge his team in front before an immedi-

ate Georgios Stergiopoulos reply reversed the lead.

Burgess worked close to the hoop to edge Worcester into a 17-16 lead heading into the second quarter.

Good work from Burgess's front-court partner Humberto Ferreira and Yeboah helped Worcester extend their lead.

However, the Magic led 31-30 midway through the period on the back of another Walton triple.

Burgess produced a double of threes to accompany his trademark plays to send Worcester into half time with a five-point lead.

A Ferreira spin and Wilfrid Santhe dribble set up Burgess to keep Wolves 56-54 to the good at the close of the third quarter.

Walton's fifth success from distance once more switched the lead and a Bile basket stretched Manchester's lead further.

A failed attempt to prevent Burgess scoring led to two points and a bonus free-throw that broke a 65-65 tie and finally put Worcester on their path to victory.

One-way traffic ensued for the remaining four minutes as Ferreira and Daijaun Antonio joined the three-point party.

Santhe put points on the scoresheet to sit alongside his bagful of assists and Yeboah and Burgess took turns in tormenting Manchester's defenders.

Yeboah and Ferreira notched 16 and 15 points respectively while teenager Walton dominated Manchester's output with 24 points.

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