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### For Action Important Messages that require Action



#### #Safe Glasgow : take action to update your council login password

Our [Information Security Staff Guidelines](#) outline how we all need to make sure that the information we use every day should be protected, held securely and handled with care. It is important that we all know how to protect our paper and electronic information – at home, in the workplace and anywhere else you find yourself on work related business.

A key part of keeping our information safe is to make sure that we all use a strong password for our council accounts and to get into the regular habit of locking your screen, when away from your device, by holding down CTRL, ALT and DELETE and selecting Lock.

#### Your password: take action

At the start of the pandemic the council turned off the password expiry function – where you were required to regularly change your login password to keep your device secure.

This password expiry function is now due to be turned back on and all staff are being advised to change their password as soon as possible. This is to avoid the need to call the CGI Service Desk to get it reset if you get locked out - once the rule is reintroduced.



#### Remember

- Your password should always be difficult to guess
- It must be kept secret and not shared with anyone – even a colleague
- You must not use the same password you use to log in to the council network on any other service or website
- You should not write your password down anywhere

#### How to change your password

- Log in to your device in the usual way
- Once you are logged into your device you can press CTRL, ALT and DELETE at the same time and select 'Change a Password' – you will be asked to enter your current password once and then your new password twice to change it
- Staff Guidance on how to set a strong password [is available on Connect](#)

#### Self Service Password Reset

This is another tool that you can use in the future to help you reset your own password – after you have completed this initial password change. To register for Self Service password reset follow the guidance on how to do this [is available on Connect](#)

#### Support

- Your password should meet our system criteria shown in our [strong password guide](#) – please follow this when changing yours if you are uncertain what is required
- For more staff support guides visit [#Safe Glasgow](#)



#### Managers' Briefings

The undernoted Managers' Briefing has been issued in June for managers to cascade the information to non PC facing staff within their area of responsibility.



- ACT Awareness

PC facing staff were requested to complete the GOLD course.

Please use the button below to view previous managers briefings.

[Click to view the briefings on the intranet](#)

## For Information

### Service News and Corporate Updates that might affect you



#### Get Ready Glasgow: UCI World Championships

From 3-13 August 2023, Glasgow will be host for the inaugural UCI Cycling World Championships

This will be the single biggest cycling event in history, bringing together 13 existing individual cycling world championships into one mega event.

The event will feature 13 UCI World Championships including BMX Freestyle Flatland; BMX Freestyle Park; BMX Racing; Gran Fondo; Indoor Cycling; Mountain Bike Cross-country; Mountain Bike Downhill; Mountain Bike Marathon; Para-cycling Road; Para-cycling Track; Road; Track; Trials.

Glasgow will host eight of the 13 UCI World Championships at five venues across the city, with Dumfries and Galloway (para-cycling road) and Stirling (time trial) also hosting events across Scotland.



#### Cervical Screening Awareness Week 19-24 June 2023

This Cervical Screening Awareness Week, we're taking the opportunity to remind you that just five minutes could save your life.

That's right a five minute smear test can stop cancer before it starts.

Even if you expect everything is fine, don't ignore your screening invite if you receive one. Head over to [Jo's Trust](#) for lots more information and advice, particularly if you're nervous about taking the test.

See details on Cervical Screening at NHS Inform or visit <https://www.getcheckedearly.org/earlier-the-better/screening-programmes>



#### Glasgow's Low Emission Zone (LEZ) is now in force

The scheme, which effectively excludes the most polluting vehicles from the city centre, protects public health by tackling unacceptably high levels of harmful air pollution that have stubbornly persisted in areas of the zone.

From 1 June 2023 all vehicles entering Glasgow's LEZ must meet the less-polluting emission standards or face a penalty charge.

Glasgow's LEZ is the first to come into force in Scotland. It follows the initial, bus-only phase of the scheme which, since 2018 has seen a year-on-year improvement in the proportion of low or zero emission buses servicing the city centre.

Glasgow's Low Emission Zone will operate continuously - 24 hours a day, all year round.

The zone covers an area of the city centre bounded by the M8 motorway to the north and west, the River Clyde to the south and Saltmarket/High Street to the east. The motorway itself however is not included.



A vehicle can only drive within a LEZ if it meets the specified emission standards, which are Euro 4 for petrol cars and vans, Euro 6 for diesel cars and vans, and Euro VI for buses, coaches and HGVs.

A [national online vehicle checker](#) by Transport Scotland is available to check for compliance with LEZ emission standards.

Motorcycles and mopeds are not included in the current LEZ schemes and no restrictions will apply.

There are some exemptions, such as for blue badge holders, and zone residents have an extra year to prepare.

Transport Scotland has developed an [online portal](#) where Blue Badge holders can register vehicles they are travelling in to obtain the required exemptions.

Automatic Number Plate Recognition cameras linked to a national vehicle licencing database will be used to enforce Glasgow's LEZ. When a non-compliant vehicle is detected in the zone, a Penalty Charge Notice will be issued to the registered keeper.

A scheme surcharge will see the initial penalty charge of £60 double for each subsequent breach detected - subject to a cap of £480 for cars and LGVs, and £960 for buses and HGVs.

In addition to reducing levels of harmful vehicle emissions, Glasgow's LEZ is also expected to accelerate the uptake of more sustainable forms of transport - helping to tackle the climate emergency, and increase the safety, attractiveness, and amenity of our city centre.

The cities of Aberdeen, Dundee and Edinburgh will enforce their own LEZ schemes in 2024.

For further details about the operation of the LEZ scheme in Glasgow, please see our [LEZ webpage](#).

### **Supporting Men's Health and Wellbeing: Prostate Scotland – Information session**

You are invited to take time out of your busy day for your wellbeing and sign up to attend a short, informal presentation from Prostrate Scotland.

You have probably heard of the prostate at some time or other, but many people don't have a clear idea of what it is, where it is, what it does or what can go wrong with it. Prostrate Scotland's survey in 2018 found that just over 50% of the public surveyed could name a symptom of prostate disease/cancer. Only a third of men over 55 were able to name a symptom of prostate disease/cancer.

Prostate cancer or disease is a major issue with 1 in 10 men at risk of developing this. Although our target audience is men over 50, younger men can also be affected.

#### **Interested in finding out more? - come along to an information session**

You are encouraged to come along to one of our sessions and find out more – you may get some useful information from this that will increase your own awareness, or you can pass on to family, friends and colleagues.

Part of the presentation will include a video with sports pundits Chris Paterson and Craig Levein being interviewed by Grant Stott and talking about prostate disease.

#### **Location**

The presentation is informal, and these will all take place in the Learning Academy, 40 John Street, room B.20. On arrival you should go to reception if you do not have access to room B.20.

#### **Date and times**

- Thursday 29 June: 11:00 until 11:35
- Thursday 29 June: 11:45 until 12:20
- Thursday 29 June: 13:00 until 13:35

#### **How to book your space**

To book your space [send us an email](#) with the following information:  
Your full name  
Preferred time

#### **More information**

Information packs will be provided on the day for you to take away.



# NRS People

Supporting your health and wellbeing and wellness  
at work as well as learning and personal development



## Meet Your Colleagues

**Karen Macvicar, Chemist within Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability**

### How long have you worked for the council?

32 years, the first 5 of which were with Strathclyde Regional Council.

### What do you do in your role?

In Glasgow Scientific Services within the Environment Section. My role involves the analysis of air quality in domestic, commercial and industrial premises and I'm also a Radiation Protection Supervisor. Domestic property complaints are usually due to odours from neighbouring properties. I'm also involved in maintenance of the Quality system within the lab for asbestos and calibration of equipment. I also encourage secondary students to consider being a Modern Apprentice (Chemical Analyst) either at school career fairs or hands on experiments in the laboratory. 27 years ago, I became the first female Scientific Adviser for Strathclyde Fire Brigade and I'm now the longest serving member of a team of eight Scientific Advisers within the laboratory. The service is on call 24 hours a day to assist in attendance or reachback advice to Scottish Fire and Rescue Service for any chemical/hazardous material incidents in Scotland. The laboratory has been providing this service for over 40 years.



### What is your favourite part of your role?

Training with our Fire Service colleagues either within the laboratory for Hazardous Material Identification or at the Fire Training Centre for Breathing Apparatus/Chemical Suit training. I also enjoyed being involved in the Multiagency Agency Scene Assessment Team with the other partner agencies during the Commonwealth Games and COP26.

### What are the biggest challenges within your role?

When my Fire Service pager goes off! Whether in the laboratory or in an exercise class at the gym, we must stop and deal with the request from Fire Control. Working in collaboration with Fire Service personnel, we assess the chemicals/hazardous materials involved and decide which equipment on the mobile laboratory can be used to be able to detect, investigate and monitor the incident, to make the incident safe.

## NRS People - New Workshops for July 2023

### NRS People Manager Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Workshops delivered by Enable Scotland

Glasgow City Council is committed to disability equality. All NRS Managers and Supervisors are invited to attend a range of training sessions to expand their understanding of disabilities and how we support people with disabilities in the workplace. These sessions will be delivered by Enable Scotland. All workshops will be held on MS Teams.

The workshops will also give Managers and Supervisors the opportunity to come together and discuss real life management case studies that have resulted in staff members not feeling supported, the challenges we face when managing front line staff and learn from each other's experiences.

### Who can attend?

The workshops are open to all Managers and Supervisors.

### When and where are the next workshops?

The next workshops will take place face to face on the below dates and times:



### Autism Awareness



Monday 26 June  
2pm - 4pm

### Supporting and Developing Employees



Wednesday 19 July  
10am - 12pm

### Creating a Mentally Healthy Workplace



Thursday 6 July  
10am - 12pm

### The Benefits of Equality Diversity and Inclusion



Thursday 6 July  
2pm - 4pm

### Rethinking Recruitment



Thursday 13 July  
10am - 12pm

#### Vacancies within NRS

**myjobscotland**

There have been no new job vacancies within NRS that have been added to myjobscotland within the past week. Please use the button below to go through to the job adverts across the council family.

[Click here to view all the vacancies on myjobscotland.gov.uk](#)



#### Fundraising

If you are currently fundraising for any charity or would like to report back on fundraising activities please get in touch with the NRS Promotions and Engagement team using the button below.

[Click here to get in touch](#)

## General Interest

### What other teams do and events and activities that you can join



#### Wallace Street Clean Up

Barclays Bank Environmental Group have been working closely with NRS Neighbourhood Coordinator Jim Ellis to organise litter picks and community clean ups in the Tradeston Area.

On Friday the 9 of June a group of 15 Barclays volunteers worked with local residents, Kingston DIY and NRS Streetscene to litter pick and clear fly-tipping on Wallace Street, Laidlaw Street and under the Kingston Bridge.

Together the group picked up over 65 bags of waste as well as a substantial amount of flytipping, making a significant visual impact in the area.

As part of the Govan Thriving Places, Positive Communities, Litter Pick Calendar, this is one of a number of events planned this month by the Neighbourhood Coordinator and NIES Team.

The calendar has exceeded expectation in its first three months with an initial goal of 4 events each month, however June has seen a total of 7 community clean ups in Govan alone.

BBC, STV, Barclays, Govan Housing Association, Linthouse Housing Association, BAE Systems, Kingston DIY, St Constantine's Primary, Ibrox Primary and Lorne Street Primary have all participated and are keen to keep the momentum going with future events.

These events are supported by the new litter picking hubs throughout the ward and gives local residents the opportunity to organise their own events.

NRS Neighbourhood Coordinators continue to make an impact in their local communities providing support and resources that allows partners to improve the local landscape.

### **Thank You to Our Cleansing Staff**



**BIG THANK YOU TO OUR CLEANSING STAFF** – Received from a local resident in the G15 area.

"We were getting city fibre works done in our street which involved the pavements being dug up. It was impossible for our bins to be collected.

All my neighbours were worried about this and having to wait to our next bin collection. I reported it on the app and literally within hours the missed bins were collected.

Absolutely amazing. Cleansing get a tough time and I feel a massive thanks should be given to them and credit where it's due. So thank you to your team."

J. W  
G15 Postcode

### **Tollcross Community Celebrates Launch of New Litter Picking Hub**

On the 12 June 2023, Tollcross became the 88th location for a new litter picking hub filled with equipment for community clean-ups.

A growing network of litter picking hubs is being installed across the city with the new Tollcross facility becoming the first in the East End.

The new hub is located at Tollcross Advice and Learning Centre and local people can borrow the equipment by contacting the centre in Braidfauld Street.

Pupils from St Paul's (Shettleston) Primary School and Wellshot Primary helped launch the new hub which was funded by the council's local area partnership in response to a request from local residents. Members of Auchenshuggle and Tollcross Community Council, Tollcross Housing Association, Tollcross Community Trust and Tollcross Co-op Funeralcare also joined the litter pick which was led by the council's Neighbourhood Improvement Team. The council also provided all the hub equipment including litter pickers, bags, gloves and hi-vis vests.



The Tollcross hub is among the first to carry a new QR code which enables people to scan it and log the amount and types of litter they have collected as well as highlighting any hotspots sites.

The council will use this data to target its staff and resources to tackle specific problems identified in the community.

An annual Tidy Tollcross Together event already receives good support from the local community and the new hub will make it easier for people to access equipment to carry out more events.

Around 35 people of all ages attended the Tollcross hub launch and collected dozens of bags of litter from surrounding streets.

Keep Scotland Beautiful recently praised Glasgow, its brilliant Neighbourhood Improvement Volunteers (NIVs), residents, schools and businesses for taking part in over 500 community litter picks during Spring Clean Scotland 2023.

The city's NIVs helped Glasgow clinch the title by staging clean-ups in their neighbourhoods supported by the council who supplied the equipment and removed the bags of collected rubbish.

An online interactive map pinpoints the locations of all the community litter picking hubs and explains how to borrow the equipment. You can find your nearest litter picking hub by [viewing the map](#)

### **Get in Touch**

If you have any information you would like to share through this fortnightly email, please get in touch with the NRS Promotions and Engagement Team.

[Click here to Send us an Email](#)

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