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ty Square, which has been described as 'the most transformational office scheme to happen in the East Midlands in more than a decade'

HMRC has entered into a 25-year lease on the development, which is being forward funded by Legal & General. It will see 4,000 HMRC employees working in the heart of Nottingham.

Nick Sladen, chief executive of developers Sladen Esimportant first step in what is an incredibly significant development - both for HMRC and for the East Midlands.

"We're incredibly proud to be developing Grade A office space in Nottingham, as this is something the city has been lacking for some time. The Southside of the city is undergoing a huge transformation and the offices here will complement this next phase of Nottingham's evolving skyline."

office space.

Road - opposite Nottingham train station – will comprise two buildings totalling 62,022 sq m of 'The most transformational

HMRC's estates direcoffice scheme to tor, Steven Boyd, said: happen in the 'HMRC is delivering the East Midlands in largest property transformation programme in the more than a UK and, when it is built, decade' the Unity Square develop-

offices accommodating more than 4,000 HMRC colleagues. They will benefit from modern facilities and bright

working environments, enabling them to work collaboratively with other teams to increase our effectiveness in collecting taxes

Work is being completed by Bowmer + Kirkland, with phase one due to finish in summer 2021.

Pictured left: Steve Chambers, Bowmer + Kirkland; Steven Boyd, HMRC; Rachel Wood, Sladen Estates; Derick Gilby, Legal & General



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Harry with his Lions shirt outside his

school.



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Champion British Alpine Skier, Nicole Ritchie, has inspired pupils at Ellis Guilford School to go for gold and consider a future as a professional athlete.

Nicole ran a series of lessons for year nine students at the Nottingham-based secondary school, speaking to them about her career so far and what motivates her to be successful, as well as leading a training and circuits session.

23-year-old Nicole ioined the British Senior Alpine Team in 2017. having been skiing since the age of three and competing since she was eight-years-old.

She currently holds the titles of British University Champion, Scottish Dry Slope Champion, Scottish Indoor Champion and British Dry Slope Champion, all of which she hopes to retain in 2019. Her visit to Ellis Guilford School.



Students get a piste of the action

which is sponsored by the Creative Education Trust, will help launch QTS Group's Youth Athlete Programme in England, which offers support and sponsorship for aspiring young sport stars.

The Nottinghamheadquartered rail

infrastructure firm first launched the programme in Scotland in 2014 with Nicole signing up as one of the programme's original

Under the programme, Nicole has received financial support to cover the

costs of international travel for competitions and training, particularly between her home city of Glasgow and her winter training base of Leogang, Austria, as well as funding for equipment and clothing.

Applications to the

QTS Youth Athletes programme are now open and aspiring athletes can submit their application to youthathletes@ qtsgroup.com or visit the QTS website for more information. The deadline for applications is 1 May.

NUH volunteer celebrates 90th birthday

A long-standing volunteer at Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust (NUH) has recently celebrated her ninetieth birthday

Wendy Russell has become a muchloved and familiar face at the Queen's Medical Centre (QMC), where she has greeted visitors and patients on Main Reception for 23 years. Wendy currently volunteers for two mornings a week and has been helping guests find their way since 1996.

Wendy, who turned 90 on March 25, said: "I'm quite privileged to do it at my ripe old age. It's nice to wake up in the morning with something to do. It keeps me out of trouble and off the streets!'

Born in Nottingham in 1929, Wendy began volunteering at QMC after a couple of years teaching in

Thailand following her retirement. She explained: "I was a teacher in Special Education in Nottingham, where I worked until retiring aged sixty. I became bored after that, so I applied to the Voluntary Services and went to Thailand with them for two



years which was very rewarding at times. Then I came back home and I was bored again, so I phoned QMC to see if they had any little jobs to do and I've stayed here ever since."

Kerry Harper, Voluntary Services Manager, said: "The contribution made to our visitors, patients and staff by Wendy over the years has been immense, without her ever expecting reward or favour. Wendy is a truly inspirational character and a valued member of our hospital and volunteer

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Harry (10), who attends Killisick Junior School, plays under 13's ball hockey with the Nottingham Huskies. part of the Wolves Academy. He said: "I was about 7 years old when I first started to play, and I really enjoy it. My Dad took me to my first game and I liked it straight away.

"I wouldn't say I am the best player on my team, but I am really good in defence. I think the faster I go the stronger I am when I hit the ball."

Harry, who lives in Arnold, says he owes a lot to his family for support. Mum, Áli Childs said: "It's worth the effort for me. I love to watch him play and as a family we have always really loved the sport. It's great to see Harry enjoy it so much and even his sister has started to play now too.'

Harry says he is looking forward to travelling abroad to



brush up on his training: "I feel really good about all the new things happening to me because of hockey and I am really excited because I have never been to Slovakia before!





Council responds to Marcus Garvey petition

Nottingham City Council has reiterated its position that it is not seeking to close the Marcus Garvey Centre.

An online petition calling on the authority to 'reverse its decision' to close the building in Lenton has been signed by close to

3,000 people.

The building The proposal is operated by an is to move the independent manday service agement commit-tee, which makes from the its own decisions current about how it is run. building to a The council does more modern, not want to see the centre close, nor city councildoes it have the owned facility power to do so.

The council is proposing to relo-cate its Marcus Garvey Day

Service to another location in Nottingham, and will be carrying out a full consultation with the community in a few weeks to gather people's views.

The culturally-specific service, in Lenton Boulevard, is provided by the council as day care provision for older people with dementia and disabilities primarily from the Africancommunity, who have activities, support and meals.

The proposal is to move the day service from the building • current to a more modern, city council-owned facility that will benefit the community and service



users. There is no plan to end the service and transport LIBRARY IS NOW AN OASIS FOR READING

to a new venue A newly revamped library at Kilwould continue to be provided.
Initial plans were contained within the council's recent budget consultation. A specific ernor at the Arnold based school

consultation exercise on the and attended the recent launch relocation of the service will again take place in late May. airier and has a very pleasant envi-

ronment now. I think that the library will be used a lot more by children, especially because we have a lot of new books available."

Teacher Karen Carpenter, English Lead at the school, talked about the transformation: "It was a fairly standard room before with old book cases and was a bit messy and disorganised. We have tried to create a much more positive and cheerful area. To do that I have painted the room and put a mural on one wall, we also have all new bookcases and have just ordered another £1500 worth of books."

Many of the new books were chosen by pupils and included their

favourite subjects, characters and authors and there is also a 'recommended to read' area to encourage children to try new titles.

The grand opening was attended by children who are the pupil librarians along with their parents and Parent Governors of the school.



Raise Awareness of Autism by wearing Silly Socks

There is a very special reason to don your silliest socks this week (1-7 April) – to support Autism Awareness Week

One in 100 people in the UK have a diagnosis of autism and there will be thousands more individuals across the country living without a diagnosis. Autism

Awareness Week is a world recognised week that provides a platform for everyone to talk about this complex, lifelong condition which affects the development of communication, social and life skills, affecting how individuals perceive the world and interact

with others. Regional charity Autism East Midlands are the largest autism specific charity in the region, supporting autistic adults, children and their families. This year the charity is hosting a variety of workshops and sessions across the East Midlands before holding a #SillySockDay on the 5th April in order to raise awareness of autism across the East Midlands. Around 50 businesses

from across the East Midlands have signed up for #SillySockDay and in Nottinghamshire that includes Fraser Brown, Castle Rock

#SillySockDay, in order and the Nottingham Panthers, who are to get people talking and pulling together to raise learning about autism. awareness of autism as well as raising much needed funds for Autism East Midlands. These organisations

will be donning their

sharing photos across

silliest socks and

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Nottingham in top ten for acting against revenge evictions

Private renters in Nottingham are among the best protected from so-called revenge evictions, according to the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health.

Nottingham City Council is among the top ten councils for taking formal action and offering tenants protection from landlords who evict tenants after they raise a complaint.

The council is making use of a power that came in under the Deregulation Act 2015 which means that renters who raise a complaint with their landlord cannot be evicted for six months but only if the council formally gets involved and issues an improvement notice for certain hazards such as damp, cold, asbestos, over-crowding and poor security.

Nottingham City Council's Head of Safer Housing and Anti-Social Behaviour, David Walker, said: "We are wholly focused on ensuring that private tenants can raise issues about the state of their property without being penalised either by rent increases or revenge evictions by unscrupulous landlords.

"Wherever possible, when we receive a complaint we will take formal action which rightly gives tenants protection from this sort of thing, while ensuring that the necessary

improvements to the property are carried out."

Any private renters in Nottingham experiencing problems with their property or landlord, can call the council's Safer Housing Team for advice and support on 0115 876 1331.

New mum urges others to join the Reserves keen interest I had fostered from my

A new mother is encouraging other women to join the Royal Air Force Reserves as a way of developing new skills and improving their confidence.

Senior Aircraftman Suzanne Dunks (29), is a first-time mum to eightmonth-old Cameron and currently serves as a chef as part of 504 (County of Nottingham) Squadron.

Suzanne joined the Reserves in 2005 and has a passion for learning which has seen her progress her military career.

Suzanne said: "I have always wanted to join the military because of a

an enthusiastic group of people. "I've always said that the best part about being a Reservist is being part of a team. This was brought to life in the Joint Caterer Competition in 2017, when I worked as part of a team of three to produce competition style dishes in the field. There was stiff competition but we took home a gold medal and came second overall.' Describing the support she has

granddad, who served in the Army. I

have had the opportunity to learn new

skills and to do so with like-minded

people. Everyone in the Reserves is

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received from her squadron since the birth of her baby, Suzanne explained: "Having Cameron has changed priorities but the my squadron are happy to work around this and they support

> they can.
> "I hope my child will see what I am achieving as a Reservist learn

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mation about joining the Royal Air Force Reserve, call 0345 606 9069 or visit www.raf.mod.uk/recruitment



COMPETITION WINNERS

The winner of our recent Ragdale Hall competition is Mrs L. Barnett of Bingham, Nottingham

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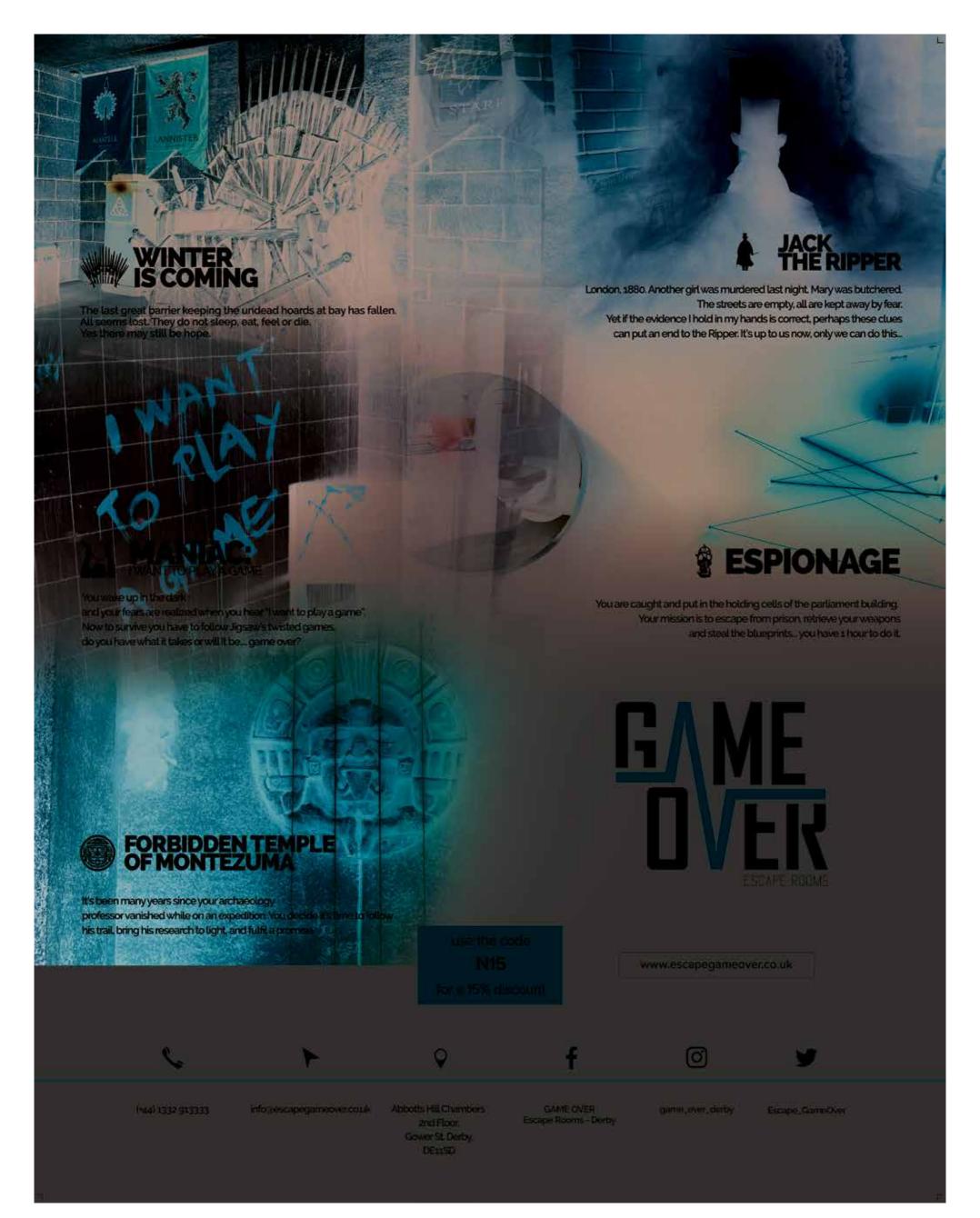
Whether you are looking for a team building event, planning a celebration or just want a fun time with your friends, there is something to fascinate and delight everyone.

Game Over Escape Rooms is located in the centre of Derby on Gower Street, which makes the venue easier to find than escape from! Their professional and friendly team are on hand to offer help and advice, whether you are new to the whole experience or are an escape room junkie.

An exciting new **Games of Thrones** room has opened this week that will appeal to everyone – not just die-hard fans. So, despite the fact summer is on its way, we can predict with great excitement that in Derby winter is coming!







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At Todo Latino the emphasis is on creating sequences that can be adapted in a number of ways outside of the studio. Students are steeped in the purest form and Latin rhythm and movement, which helps them to interpret the music wherever they choose to dance – and it only takes one class to learn the basic steps.

Amanda, who is an award winning Salsa teacher, prides herself on being inclusive and can also accommodate people with disabilities or visual impairment in her classes.

Whether or not you have a friend or partner to go with or are on your own and looking to make new friends, the classes offer a real family feel. Over the years they have even been responsible for five weddings!

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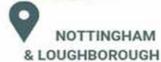
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Hospital caterers are up for four awards

tingham's hospitals has been nominated for four national catering awards.

The annual Cost Sector Catering Awards will see over 700 industry delegates compete for awards that acknowledged their hard work.

In recognition of their exceptional dedication to improving food services for patients, catering teams at Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust (NUH) have been shortlisted for the Public Sector Award, the Healthcare Award, the Innovation Award, and the Marketing Award.

Nicola Strawther, Chief Dietetic and Catering Technician, who has been nominated for the Public Sector Award,

said: "It's fantastic to make the shortlist for the Cost Sector Catering Awards. It's such a prestigious event, so to be shortlisted alongside such a high distinction of industry professionals from the catering industry is an honour. I'm overwhelmed to be shortlisted as an individual and I'm really pleased that we have been able to raise the profile of hospital food and the hugely important role nutrition and hydration play in a patient's recovery."
NUH's Memory

Menu has been shortlisted for the Marketing Award. It was devised by a team of caterers, clinicians, dieticians and patient representatives – also known as 'the Power of 4' - and aims to keep patients well-nourished throughout their recovery by offering tempting meal choices. The menu was praised in the Trust's recent Care Quality Commission inspection report as 'outstanding' practice.

Ann-Marie Riley, Deputy Chief Nurse said: "I am so proud of NUH's catering teams for their nominations at the Cost Sector Catering Awards. They work proactively with clinical teams, patients and the public to ensure that our patients receive appetising, tasty and nutritious meals and these nominations are testament to that collaborative approach." The winners will be revealed on April 25 at the Hilton London Metropole.

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Lonely Brits spend a total of one month every year watching TV on their own, a study has revealed.

Two-thirds (62%) of lonely people put the TV on for company, 31% put the radio on, and 27% speak to the dog or cat. Sadly even 7% even ask Alexa or Siri a question for a bit of electronic friendship.

New research by Rotary Great Britain and Ireland, shows that almost half of the adults in Britain say that they are lonely and 41% say that they feel most lonely in the evenings when they get home from work.

The average Brit sits alone in front of the box for three and a half hours every day, compared to just two hours spending time with friends or family.

A quarter of the respondents polled would like to socialise more, two thirds (66%) are happy with the amount they do and 4% said they would like to socialise less in a typical day. Women are more likely to want to socialise more with 27% compared to 22% men. Younger people are more likely to want to socialise (41%) than older people (20%), and over a third (34%) of single people would want to interact more, as do 40% of parents with children under five years old.

Evenings are the time when the most people feel lonely, 41% of people said that this feeling descends when they are alone in the evening. 14% of those surveyed have gone to the shops for the sake of getting out and have a conversation with someone, 6% have gone to the GP for the same reason and 6% have ordered post just to chat to the postman.



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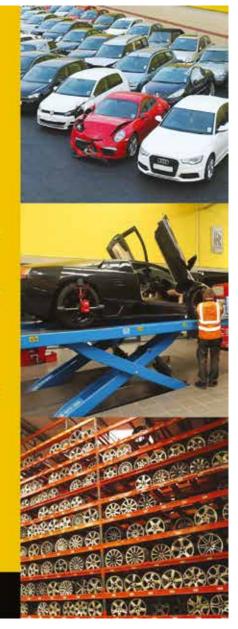
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New war memorial unveiled in Edwinstowe

Forterra has worked closely with the Royal British Legion over the past year to bring make a new World War One memorial, which has recently been unveiled in Edwinstowe.

Team Leader Nigel Jackson and Operations Manager Matt Mendham, of Forterra's Bison Precast facility in Hoveringham, met with members of the Edwinstowe branch of the British Legion and local residents earlier this month.

Together they unveiled the new £5000 memorial to mark the 2018 centenary of the end of World War

The Edwinstowe British Legion, with the collaboration of Nigel Jackson, established a sub-committee over a year ago for the planning and design of the memorial. They jointly briefed and advised the Forterra draughtsman who designed

been made from granite imported from Italy.

Forterra additionally made a donation towards the memorial's costs last year, with the British Legion also working hard to raise funds

Nigel said: "We are very proud to have helped unveil Edwinstowe's new First World War memorial, which has come together successfully after more than a year of planning and fundraising. We at Forterra are happy to have been able to work with and offer our support to the Edwinstowe branch of the British Legion throughout the design and production process."

> Right: Matt Mendham and Nigel Jackson of Forterra's Bison Precast facility in Hoveringham.



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Announcing its half-year results this week, Bellway revealed its East



Midlands division sold more than 350 homes between August 2018 and the end of January.

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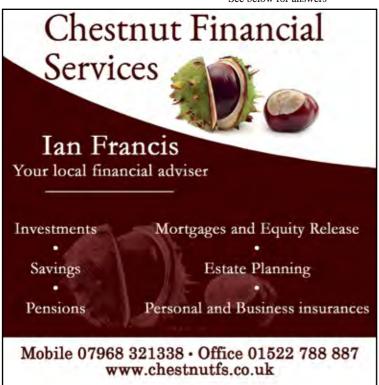
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There will also be fun prizes to win as well as Easter-themed arts and crafts including Easter bonnet making and face painting.

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Children of all ages are invited to the parties at St Luke's, Shireoaks, on Palm Sunday - April 14th. There will be loads of

pirate-themed fun, games TV show and children who go along are invited to dress as pirates. Gemma said she is really looking forward to meeting her new pirate friends. Since April 2016 she has also been a co-presenter of the Alpha film series which aims to introduce people to Christianity.
The Revd Luiz Lima, who

is the vicar of Christ Church and St Luke's said: "We are

preparing ourselves for a fantastic adventure. A day of real joy and celebration! Children and adults will have a wonderful time as we open our churches to the community." The parties at Christ Church, in Thievesdale Close, Worksop, take place at 1pm and 3pm.The party at St Luke's, in Shireoaks Row, Shireoaks, starts at 5pm.

local schools - Haggonfields Primary, Prospect Hill Junior, Prospect Hill Infants, St John's Academy, St Luke's School and Gateford Park - and the Christ Church office, which can be contacted by emailing hello@ christchurchworksop.org.uk

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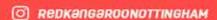


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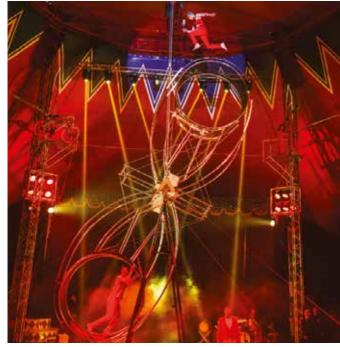
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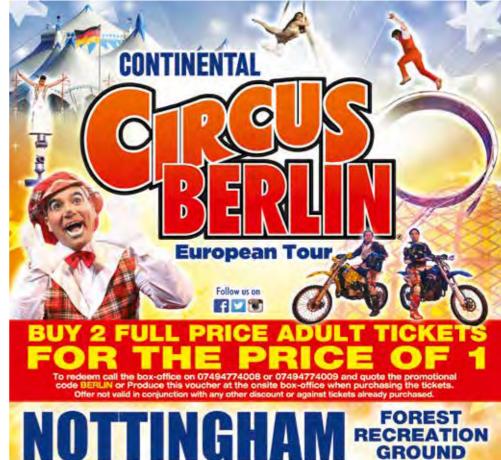
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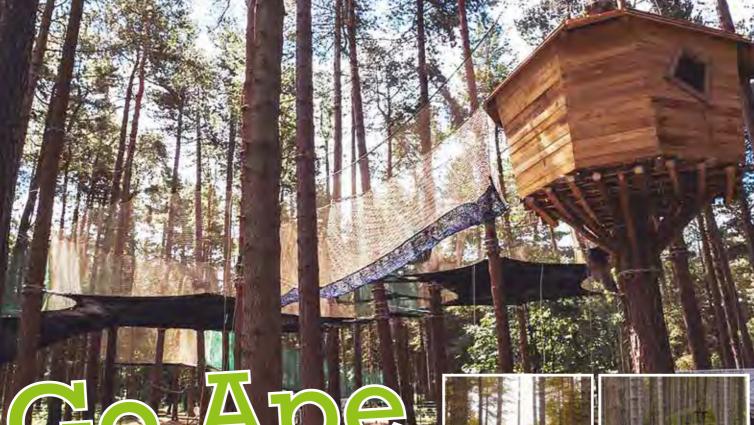
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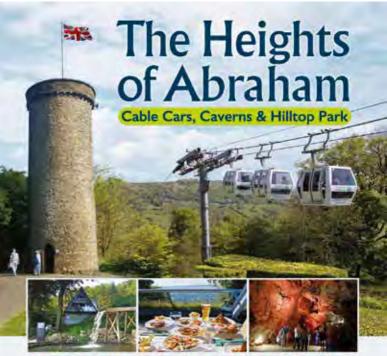
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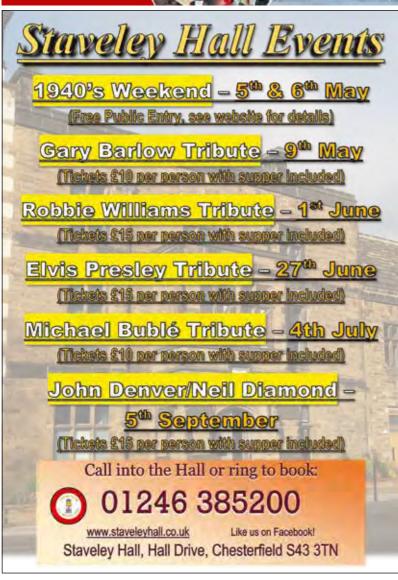
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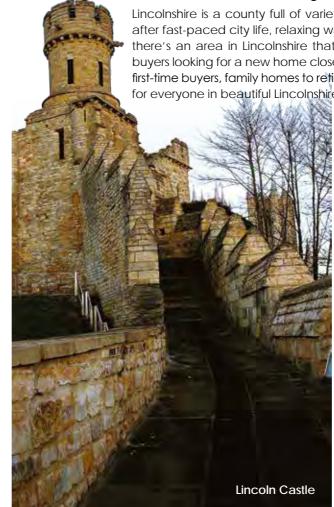
The town and small port of Boston is an ideal destination for an afternoon of exploring. Visit Boston Guildhall, built in the 1390s by Mary Guild and home to the town museum. Here you can immerse yourself in plenty of historical stories and secrets - learn about the history of the Guild of St Mary and Henry VIII dissolve of Guild before visiting the town's museum collection to see a number of displays and exhibitions. After, pay a visit to St Bololph's Church, famous for its exceptionally tall tower that was once used as a landmark for sailors; on a clear day the striking structure can be seen from Norfolk! Climb the 209 steps for the Tower Experience before enjoying a drink in The Stump Coffee Shop. Little ones will also love the Treasure Trail and Play Den!

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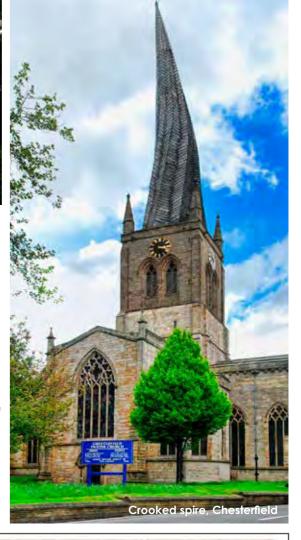
It's the UK's most central city and Derby is also a great place for a weekend break. Here you can enjoy the hustle and bustle of city life and engage in plenty of cultural experiences. Pay a visit to Kedleston Hall, an exquisite 18th-century house where you will discover examples of Neoclassical architecture. If shopping is more up your street, you'll love the Cathedral Quarter, where historical streets are filled with a great selection of specialist stores and independent retailers. Also home to a number of art galleries and museums, it's well worth a visit while you delight in all that Derby has to offer

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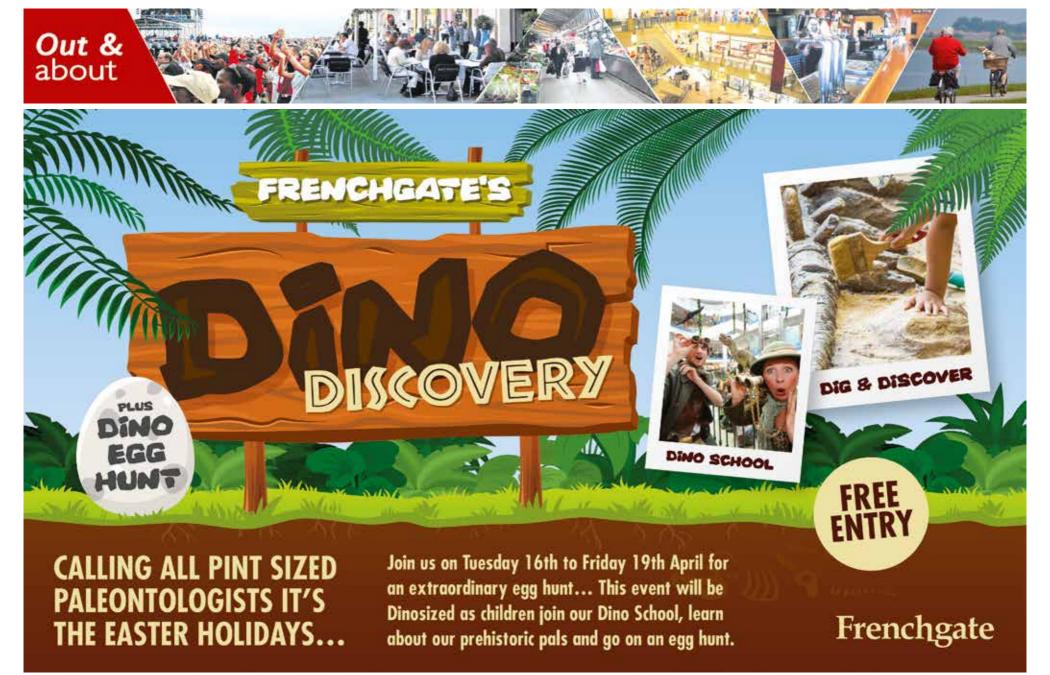


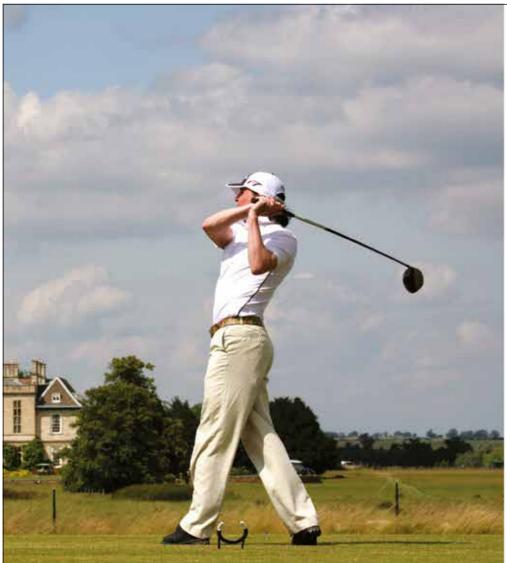
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Nottingham expert joins global commission

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in cochlear implantation, is to join a new global commission set up by the Lancet journal. Professor O'Donoghue is one of a team of clinicians at the NIHR Nottingham Biomedical Research Centre (BRC) that is leading research into hearing loss in the UK. The Lancet Commission will explore means of addressing the growing global burden of hearing loss as part of a collaboration with the World Health Organisation.
Professor O'Donoghue is one of the first

commissioners who have been invited to take part. The commission will include international experts from a wide range of disciplines including otology, public health, neuroscience, audiology, engineering

Nottingham's Professor Gerard O'Donoghue, one and health economics. The Nottingham BRC, which is hosted by Nottingham University Hospitals
NHS Trust (NUH) in partnership with

the University of Nottingham, is at the forefront of translational research into hearing sciences in the UK.

Clinicians in Nottingham have pioneered the development of cochlear implantation in both adults and children since the early 1970s and Professor O'Donoghue who is Honorary Professor of Otology and Neurotology at the University of Nottingham and Consultant

Neuro-Otologist at NUH, was instrumental in establishing the hearing research programme which now forms one the six research themes being undertaken at the Nottingham BRC.



A mental health nurse, from Mansfield, who cares for people with working age dementia, has been honoured at Nottinghamshire Healthcare's OSCARS Awards this week.

Lisa Chadwick, 37, is a Community Psychiatric Nurse (CPN) in Mental Health Services for Older People, a role within the Gedling and Hucknall community mental health team.

She supports patients at Hazelwood House at Highbury Hospital, which provides outpatient facilities for older people who have mental health issues as well as patients of any age diagnosed with dementia.

Lisa, who won the outstanding care and compassion award, was praised for her kind, honest and caring nature with her patients, especially with Dan, a patient who was referred to the service follow-

ing a diagnosis of Alzheimers at the age of just 31. Lisa has supported Dan to achieve his own goals following his diagnosis, one of which was to have some memories with his two young twins before his illness became worse. Lisa suggested crowd funding to Dan to help with the financial cost of a dream trip to Disneyland aiming to raise £10,000. This snowballed into Dan being offered an interview by a national newspaper to talk about his condition and raising awareness about Alzheimers on a TV show and how it can affect young people.

The Outstanding Service Contribution and Recognition Scheme (OSCARS) Awards are held each year. They recognise and rewards staff and volunteers who have gone the extra mile to deliver high quality healthcare services across the city and county.

New project will improve health of construction workers

An innovative project has been launched to improve the mental and physical wellbeing of construction workers in the Nottingham area.

The Construction Industry Peer Scheme (CIPS) has a target to support over 100 sector workers in the next 12 months. Participants will get free access to 24/7 online help from a reputable digital support service – Big White Wall - for people who are stressed, anxious, low or simply not coping.

The service is free to users, confidential and aims to be flexible to fit in with the needs of those taking part. It is open to any construction worker living or working in the Nottingham area.

Groups are delivered by Self Help UK and Notts County Football in the Community. Both have experience of working with people with physical and mental health issues.

The CIPS project can also support employers to develop self-help groups in the workplace with practical help to set up the

The next session will begin on 29 April at the YMCA, in Aspley, Nottingham. For details of how to take part contact Glenda on 07516 110215.



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of DIY tasks which their mums would never have tackled, according to

A poll of 2,000 women found 57 per cent of those aged 18 to 30 are happy to change a lightbulb by themselves, while six in 10 have painted an entire room in the last three years.

Today's women are also more than happy to paint cupboard doors, hang pictures and even mow the lawn.

By contrast, their own mums are far less likely to have tried the same tasks, while their grandmothers would certainly have left these 'blue jobs' to the man of the house.

The research was conducted by Yale, in conjunction with their 'Spring into Action campaign which offers tips and advice for those wanting to make a change to their homes during the peak DIY season. Stephen Roberts, marketing

manager for Yale said: "Looking at the stats between the age groups, it is clear to see women today are far more hands on than their mothers and grandmothers ever were.

"And although not all women feel one hundred per cent comfortable tackling skilled DIY tasks, they are far more likely to give it a go than previous generations.

"Surprisingly, many younger women don't remember their

grandmothers even going as far as unclogging a toilet or planting a tree."

The study found almost half of

today's women are happy to assemble furniture, compared to just 28 per cent of their mums, and seven per cent of their grandmothers.

The only areas of DIY where previous generations excel are hanging wallpapers, fixing wallpaper seams – possibly due to the trend in painted walls these days – and changing a fuse.





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will have a £100,000 refurbishment and extension thanks to external funding.

The Muirfield Road Recreation Ground in Arnold will be improved thanks to funding from WREN, a not-for-profit business that awards grants for community, conservation and heritage projects from funds donated by waste and resource management company FCC Environment through the Landfill Communities Fund. WREN will be providing a grant total of £89,250 and the Warren Action Group will providing the required match funding of £10,750 making a total of £100.000

The funding bid was made jointly by Gedling Borough Council and the Warren Action Group, a local residents group. The group have been working to revitalise the playground area and previously received

£48,000 from WREN for a multi-use games area which was opened in 2017.

Cheryl Raynor, WREN's local grant manager said: "We are delighted to be supporting the Muirfield Road Recreation Ground Development project and pleased that our funding will provide such a fantastic facility for young people. WREN is always happy to consider grant applications for projects that make a difference to local communities and we're really looking forward to seeing this one take shape soon."

Sue Jablonskas, from the Warren Action Group said: "It's fantastic that WREN has awarded us this money and we're really looking forward to our new play facilities taking shape over the next few months. It will encourage children and young people in the area to be physically active."



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