

# Council news round-up

Your weekly guide to the latest news

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## This week's news from around the Council.

- **Proposed SRFI** – A decision from the Secretary of State on the proposed SRFI is due on or about 27 February 2020, a letter was received from the Secretary of State last week asking for additional comments in response to a letter from the Applicant, which can be seen [here](#) – the Council has sent a reply which makes it clear that *if the SRFI is permitted*, which the Council does not agree to, the rail infrastructure should go in first before any sheds are constructed. The letter will be published on the SRFI website shortly.

- **South Staffordshire Connect service now available**

The South Staffordshire Connect dial-a-ride bus service is now available. This local, bookable bus service is once again helping many people who struggle to get out and about and it is aimed at residents who live away from regular bus routes or who find it difficult to use a standard bus. The new Connect service operates between 10am and 3pm to three zones. For more information, please click on the following for more information - [Zone 1](#), [Zone 2](#) and [Zone 3](#).



- **Having a clear out?**

The Council can help you get rid of your bulky waste items including sofas, beds, wardrobes and white goods such as fridges, freezers and washing machines. Click [here](#) to book online 24/7. Unwanted household items can also be re-used or donated via a series of charities and forums including the British Heart Foundation, Acorns Children's Hospice, the Furniture Re-use Network and others. Click [here](#) for more information.

- **Together we win!**

Good causes in South Staffordshire need your support and one way you can help is by buying a lottery ticket in our weekly Community Lottery. As well as supporting a good cause you might even win a cash prize ranging from £25 up to a jackpot of £25,000. To buy a lottery ticket, simply register on the website ([www.southstaffslottery.co.uk](http://www.southstaffslottery.co.uk)) or telephone **01902 213777**.

## Regular information

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- **Committee/Panel meetings**

Next week, the following meetings are scheduled:

- **Wellbeing Select Committee** – Tuesday, 4 February 2020 – 5.30 pm - Council Chamber