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On Monkston Ward Iss 396

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Remember the E-Scooter Law

E-scooters are classed as motor vehicles, so you need a driving licence and insurance to ride them on public roads and footpaths. You can't get insurance on private e-scooters, so you can only use them on private land. E-scooters hired from the public schemes can be used on roads and footpaths, but remember to keep speeds low and don't lend them to anyone else. Please park at the edge of the road or footpath when you leave them, so that they don't obstruct wheelchairs and pushchairs.

E-scooters for hire locally now have a registration number on them, so please report that to the providers if you can, as well as the place, date and time, if you find them parked badly, being driven dangerously, or illegally. Thank you.



Welcome to Kents Hill Park!



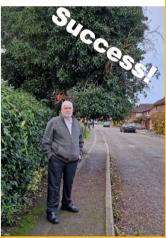
The first residents have now moved in to **Kents Hill Park**, and **Ben** has helped them to get their new rubbish bins.

Ben helps new residents in Kents Hill Park estate.

Making it Safe

After residents raised concerns that this tree in **Pettingrew**, **Walnut Tree** was unsafe, the Council ordered the wrong resident to deal with it!

Duncan helped the resident prove that it was not their tree, and the Council is now contacting the actual owner.



One Down, One to Go!

Jenni has got the Council to take legal action to get the owners to cut the hedge on Queensbury Lane, on one side of Perivale.

Sadly, the hedge on the other side is now seriously overgrown, so she has asked the owners to prune it. If they don't, legal action will start there too as it's dangerous for children to have to walk in the road at that spot.



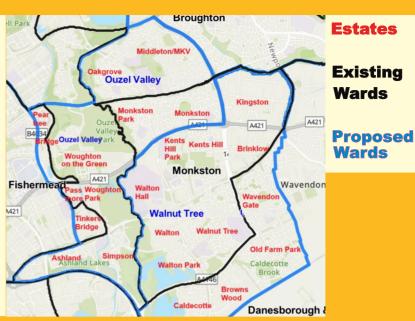
Jenni has got the hedge on one side of Perivale, Monkston Park pruned.

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Boundary Changes

The boundaries of Council wards in Milton Keynes are changing to accommodate all the new residents. The Local Government Boundary Commission has published its recommendations. Monkston ward will be split in two, and the old Walton Park ward recreated as Walnut Tree ward. A new Ouzel Valley ward will contain the rest of Monkston ward. They are consulting on the proposals until February 24th. The details are on their website at www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/milton-keynes

The changes will formally take effect from May 2026, but political parties will start to align their teams on the new boundaries soon. Details in the next Focus.



Potholes!

Ben has got the Council to repair this pothole in **Highgate Over, Walnut Tree**, and the one near **Studley Knapp** will be repaired soon.





Damaged Signs

Jenni has reported this damaged sign at the junction of Pondgate with Frithwood Crescent and Tunbridge Grove, Kents Hill. However, it will be next autumn before it is replaced, as the Council's budget for this year is already committed.



Hospital Bus

Arriva have a new bus service, The Loop, connecting our area to the hospital, Bletchley and CMK among other places.



Watch your Step!

Duncan has reported the steps to **Kents Hill ponds** as unsafe. "One set has loose and missing bricks and the other has trip hazards. It's extremely dangerous", he said.

Lib Dems help where YOU Need it

The local Lib Dem team want to hear from you on any issue, big or small, that you'd like help with.

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