



## Facts and figures about the County Council 2015

- **Schools, libraries, country parks, roads, trading standards, older people and recycling centres are just some of the services the County Council provides**
- **The Council prepares 6.7million school meals each year;**
- **3.1 million books were borrowed from the county's 60 libraries**
- **1,949 marriages were held in the county's five register offices**
- **Safety cameras have helped to cut road accidents at 38 sites by 70%**
- **43% of all household waste was recycled across the county**
- **94,000 street lights help brighten 2,610 miles of road**
- **14,000 adults receive support and services from the County Council**
- **The county's three country parks attract over one million visitors each year**

### Young People

There are 341 schools in Nottinghamshire; 2 nurseries; 283 primaries; 45 secondary and 11 special schools.

Of these schools, 64 are judged by Ofsted, the Government's schools' watchdog, to be outstanding.

In 2012, 61% of young people achieved 5 A\*-C grades at GCSE level, including English and Maths.

In 2011-12, over 26,000 individual children and young people engaged in over 260,000 attendances at open access Youth and Play activities across Nottinghamshire.

Children's Social Care receives an average of 15,500 contacts each year, nearly 9000 of which go on to a referral for statutory social care services.

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### Culture

3.1 million books were borrowed from Nottinghamshire libraries last year.

Our libraries also lend over 170,000 audio-visual items including DVDs/ebooks and e-magazines.

There are 60 libraries and three mobile libraries in the county. In 2014/15 they answered 500,000 enquiries from the public, hosted 9,000+ events and 306,000 computer sessions.

The County Council's three country parks at Rufford, Sherwood Forest and Bestwood attract over one million visitors and stage over 200 family events every year.

In the 2014 satisfaction survey, 99% of visitors at Rufford Abbey questioned about their day rated their visit "Good" or "Very Good".

There are 1,400 sites of importance for nature conservation, 68 sites of special scientific interest and 128 designated conservation areas.

There are 1,553 miles of Rights of Way in the county.

The County Council provides over 2,000 adult learning courses for around 9,500 Nottinghamshire residents.

1,949 marriages were held in our five register offices last year.

There are five miles of documents stored in the Nottinghamshire Archives.

### Public protection

The County Council's trading standards has provided alerts to 14,500 residents about doorstep crime incidents, scams, bogus charity collectors and unsafe products.

During the calendar year we also:

- investigated 1,497 serious customer complaints
- investigated 166 doorstep crime incidents
- convicted 22 rogue traders.



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There are 38 safety cameras in Nottinghamshire. Since the cameras were installed, deaths and serious injuries at these sites have been reduced by 70%.

In 2014 there were 1,905 road accidents in Nottinghamshire. Of these 26 involved fatal injuries; a further 277 resulted in serious injuries.

Car occupants are the most likely to be injured in a road accident, followed by motorcyclists and pedestrians.

Since 2005 the County Council has reduced the number of children killed or seriously injured on Nottinghamshire roads by 63%.

142 school crossing patrols help children and adults safely cross the road to school whatever the weather.

### **Caring for older people**

We provided support and services to over 20,000 adults in Nottinghamshire (over 14,000 older people supported).

There are over 270 residential homes and day centres for older people and disabled people across Nottinghamshire and 87 day centre locations across 41 different day service providers.

Over 5,500 meals at home are delivered every week to 1,000 customers in the county.

There are over 90,000 people providing unpaid care for sick or disabled relatives in Nottinghamshire.

There are 154,000 people aged 65 and over in the county – just over 19% of the total population. By 2025 this figure is estimated to have risen to 23% -196,000.

Over 4,284 disabled and older people receive home care every year from the County Council to help them stay independent in their own homes.

### **The environment**

The County Council runs 12 household waste recycling centres which received around 85,000 tonnes of waste last year, of which over 80% was recycled.

On average 43% of all household waste was recycled across Nottinghamshire.

Our carbon emissions from the use of energy in our buildings and schools amounted to 69,543 tonnes in 2013/14 - a reduction of 6.7% on the previous year's figure.

There are over 183 miles of cycle path in Nottinghamshire.

There are 94,000 streetlights in Nottinghamshire.

There are around 10,000 archaeological sites in Nottinghamshire including 160 scheduled ancient monuments.

There are 4,500 listed historic buildings, structures and monuments in the county – 7.3% of these are classified 'at risk'.

The County Council maintains:

- over 2,610 miles of road
- 3,375 miles of footways
- 2,560 miles of verges
- 3,750 miles of kerbing

The Council manages a fleet of 512 vehicles, plus road machinery.

There are nearly 3,000km of rights of way in the county.

### **How your money is spent**

The Council is raising £296 million in 2014/15 from local taxpayers. £191 million is given to the Council in Government grants.