

ROWLEY REGIS TOWN NEWS



Blackheath Cradley Heath and Old Hill Rowley Tividale Summer 2025

Welcome to the July edition of the Rowley Regis neighbourhoods e-newsletter.
Bringing you the latest local news, updates, and information from all of the wards in Rowley Regis.

Safer 6 Launches in Rowley Regis

The Safer 6 campaign ran in Rowley Regis from 30 June to 6 July 2025.

The week held activities focused on addressing concerns, providing information, and promoting services that are available year-round to help people in Sandwell stay safe and healthy.

Activities included a Serco waste collection initiative, community litter picks, speedwatch operations, information stalls, and a joint Police and Trading Standards programs targeting illegal vapes and cigarettes.



Bulls Head Site Secured After Years of Safety Concerns



The Bulls Head pub became derelict in 2021 following a series of arson attacks. Since then, residents have raised ongoing concerns about anti-social behaviour (ASB), particularly involving young children accessing the unsafe site.

Despite repeated efforts to engage with the property owner, no action was taken to secure or maintain the premises. After the issue was raised at a Ward Partnership Meeting in December 2024, multi-agency meetings were held. Consequently, a Section 215 notice was issued. With match-funding secured, the site was cleared and made safe.

Since the completion of this work, the site has remained secure, and reports of ASB and safety concerns have stopped.

[To report anti-social behaviour to the council](#)



'[Making It Sandwell](#)' is a short campaign film featuring young people from across Sandwell, with a spoken word poem from Casey Bailey who, as well as living and teaching in the region for several years, used stories from young people to write about what making it in Sandwell is all about. [You can watch the campaign film and hear from each young person featured about their stories so far.](#)

Cradley Heath Community Link Enhances Accessibility



Cradley Heath Community Link has made progress in making its facilities more accessible and welcoming to all members of the community, especially elderly groups.

Previously, the community centre's only toilet facilities were located upstairs, creating challenges for users with limited mobility. However, thanks to successful funding from the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL), the organisation has now installed a stairlift, enabling easy access to the upper floor.

This improvement has not only made the toilets accessible but also allowed the centre to fully utilise its upstairs space, creating room for more members to join and engage in the community activities.

IMPORTANT changes to bin collections

Sandwell Council is proposing changes to waste and recycling services following guidance issued by the Government on how waste and recycling should be collected.

From summer 2025, your refuse and recycling will change to alternate weekly collections (AWC).

Other household bin collections are unaffected. Food collections remain weekly and garden waste fortnightly on a subscription basis.

Find out more at www.sandwell.gov.uk/bins



Derelict Plot Secured Following Community Engagement



An empty plot on the corner of Beechcroft Road and Halesowen Road, formerly the site of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, had long remained derelict after the building was demolished in early 2010.

Over time, the site became increasingly unsightly and raised concerns among local residents.

In 2024, the issue was raised at the Ward Partnership Meeting, and a collaborative effort between Planning Enforcement and the Neighbourhoods Services Team to address the matter began.

Thanks to continued engagement, the site owners took action, and by April 2025, the plot was made safe and secure, significantly improving the appearance of the area and a reduction in resident concerns.

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