

More work needed to embed improvements in fire and rescue service as HMICFRS report published

His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services (HMICFRS) has today (Friday 3 May 2024) published its report on Gloucestershire Fire and Rescue Service (GFRS) following an inspection in November/ December 2023.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-may-2024/more-work-needed-to-embed-improvements-in-fire-and-rescue-service-as-hmicfrs-report-published/>

Measures being introduced to improve road safety

Further measures to cut congestion, speed up local bus services, encourage more walking and cycling and improve road safety are set to be introduced by Gloucestershire County Council.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-may-2024/measures-being-introduced-to-improve-road-safety/>

Gloucestershire County Council appointed to lead Gloucestershire, Swindon and Wiltshire Music Hub

Gloucestershire County Council (GCC) has been appointed by Arts Council England to lead the Gloucestershire, Swindon and Wiltshire Music Hub from September 2024, as part of an ambitious national programme to provide high-quality music education for all children and young people.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-may-2024/gloucestershire-county-council-appointed-to-lead-gloucestershire-swindon-and-wiltshire-music-hub/>

Approval sought to continue development of M5 Junction 9 and A46 (Ashchurch) Transport Scheme and Mass Rapid Transit Transport Scheme

County Councillors are being asked to approve the continued development of the M5 Junction 9 and A46 (Ashchurch) Transport Scheme and the Mass Rapid Transit Transport Scheme, in a report going to Cabinet on 15 May 2024.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-may-2024/approval-sought-to-continue-development-of-m5-junction-9-and-a46-ashchurch-transport-scheme-and-mass-rapid-transit-transport-scheme/>

Gloucestershire Libraries to launch more choirs to help combat loneliness

Gloucestershire Libraries are expanding their library choirs, which aim to combat loneliness and isolation among the over-60s.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-may-2024/gloucestershire-libraries-to-launch-more-choirs-to-help-combat-loneliness/>

Project to feature rare manuscript of 18th century song

Gloucestershire Archives has been awarded funding by Arts Council England (ACE) for a project exploring the impact of slavery using a rare, internationally significant manuscript of an 18th century song.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-may-2024/project-to-feature-rare-manuscript-of-18th-century-song/>

The Robin - bookable bus service launches in three new areas

Gloucestershire County Council is thrilled to launch the expansion of its innovative on-demand bookable bus service, The Robin.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-may-2024/the-robin-bookable-bus-service-launches-in-three-new-areas/>

Gloucestershire Economic Growth Board recruitment

Following the transfer of roles and responsibilities of GFirst LEP to Gloucestershire County Council, the county council is now starting the process of recruiting board members to join the new Gloucestershire Economic Growth Board.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-may-2024/gloucestershire-economic-growth-board-recruitment/>