

Pontefract Vision 2028



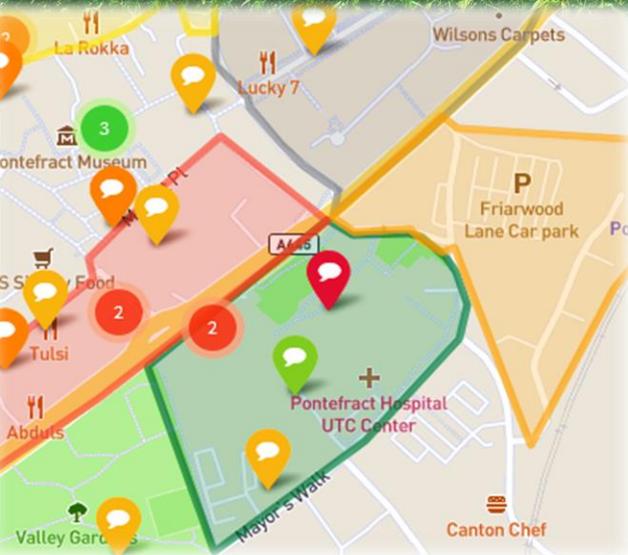
Pontefract Newsletter - No. 7 – Summer 2020

Welcome to the Pontefract Newsletter!

The Pontefract newsletter provides an update on the delivery of the Pontefract Vision 2028. The Vision (www.wakefield.gov.uk/pontevision) sets out the future aspirations for the town.

We hope everyone is safe and well in these difficult times. The Regeneration Team are busy working from home and are doing as much as they can to keep projects moving forward.

- ❖ Pontefract Masterplan
- ❖ Streets for People
- ❖ Liquorice Allsorts
- ❖ Covid Recovery Work



Pontefract Masterplan

The second round of consultation on our 'Re-Connecting Pontefract' Masterplan got underway at the beginning of July. Due to the difficulties posed by the coronavirus pandemic, we will be extending it to the end of August. Materials and a questionnaire are available on the Council's website:

<https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/regeneration/major-projects/the-pontefract-masterplan>

Our Commonplace mapping tool can be found at:

<https://pontefractmasterplan.commonplace.is/>

Please take some time to have your say. The views of the people who live, work and spend time in Pontefract are crucial to the success of the Masterplan!

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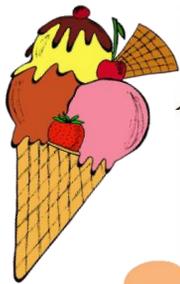


Streets for People project

The initial design phase of our Streets for People pilot project is nearing completion. There will be a presentation of the scheme in Pontefract later this year, together with a further opportunity for the public to comment ahead of the start of work on site from April 2021. The project is an exciting opportunity for us to improve the public realm, reduce air pollution and help to make Horsefair an inviting street. We hope that it will be the first step in the delivery of our Masterplan and will also encourage more visitors to experience more of the town's rich heritage as they make the trip to the town's castle from its historic town centre.

Liquorice Allsorts Online Festival

From the 5th to the 11th of July we had the Pontefract Allsorts online event, which marked 25 years since we first celebrated Pontefract's links to liquorice. There were activities such as arts and crafts challenges, puzzles, recipes and even videos of local experts teaching us about the plants and the history of liquorice.



Summer
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Stay Safe!

Covid Recovery Work

The Coronavirus has affected every aspect of life and had a drastic effect on all of the district's town centres, so it has been good to see our businesses reopening as we all adapt to a slightly different way of doing things. The Council will be working closely with business in the coming months to provide what support we can and will also be thinking about the bigger changes that might need to be made to the way our town centres work to help the process. It is important that we all have the confidence to step back outside and know that we can do so in a safe, sustainable way.

The next Pontefract Newsletter (Edition No.8) will be available in Autumn 2020. For more information please contact:
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