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Town Council

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## Looking After Our Benches

Each month, our maintenance team carries out restoration and repair work on benches across the town. This regular work helps keep our benches safe and in good condition, extends their lifespan, and reduces the need for costly replacements. Our benches are well used by residents and visitors alike, and maintaining them remains an important part of caring for our shared public spaces! Here are some of the benches recently repaired:



If you spot an issue with a bench in town, you can report it to us by emailing: [l.berry@colnetowncouncil.org.uk](mailto:l.berry@colnetowncouncil.org.uk) or calling us on 01282 861888.

## Dog Fouling Issues

After a number of posts on social media recently by members of the public, we wanted to make a polite request. We kindly ask all dog owners to please pick up after their dogs and dispose of waste responsibly.

Pendle Council operates a zero tolerance policy towards dog fouling, and can issue offenders with a £100 Fixed Penalty Notice. In some cases, offenders are taken to court and face a fine of up to £1,500.

If you pick up dog poo in a bag but then leave the bag behind, you could receive a £150 Fixed Penalty Notice for littering. Poo bags can be put in ANY litter bin, not just dog poo bins.

Keeping our streets, green spaces and footpaths clean helps make the town a more pleasant place for everyone to enjoy. Thank you for your cooperation and consideration!

If you notice an issue with a dog poo bin or wish to report a dog fouling issue in Colne you can report this online to Pendle Council by visiting >>> [https://www.pendle.gov.uk/info/20039/animal\\_welfare/78/dogs/3](https://www.pendle.gov.uk/info/20039/animal_welfare/78/dogs/3)





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## Town Hall Clock Update

We are aware of and acknowledge all of the comments and concerns raised online regarding the Town Hall clock not always working. The clock, which dates back to 1893, is a historic and specialist mechanism and due to its age, repairs are complex and must be carried out by a skilled clock specialist; of which there are very few!

This means repair work can take time to arrange and is costly, particularly when parts need to be made or adapted specifically for the clock. While we understand the frustration when the clock is not working correctly, we appreciate residents' patience as we always work to secure the appropriate expertise to carry out repairs properly on our fabulous Grade II listed building.



## Santander Clinic



As many of our local residents may be aware, back in 2025 Santander began a weekly drop in clinic here at the Town Hall. **Each Wednesday between 9.30am and 5pm** you can call into the Town Hall and speak to a member of staff from Santander. Whilst they cannot handle cash payments (in or out) or issue statements, here are some of the things they can help you with:

### MANAGING YOUR DETAILS

- Register for mobile and online banking
- Add or remove someone from your account
- Update your personal details & marketing preferences

### SUPPORT WITH YOUR ACCOUNTS

- View statements
- Discuss loan and mortgage repayments
- Manage your payments such as standing orders or direct debits
- Manage your cards such as report lost, stolen or damaged cards & manage your PIN

### SUPPORT WITH REQUESTS

- Change your address
- Notify a bereavement
- Make payments & applications
- Add or remove a power of attorney
- Close your account

Entrance is via the main Town Hall doors at the front of the building on Albert Road.



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## Eco Town Visit for Junior Council

January’s meeting of Colne Junior Council got off to a strong start under the chairmanship of Mia from Park Primary School. Following a quick review of actions from the previous meeting, members finalised plans for an educational visit to Eco Town at Farington Waste Recovery Park this March, where they will learn more about recycling and sustainable waste management.

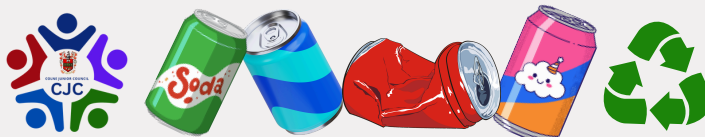
Eco Town features 13 interactive streets across three themed areas – Bio, Materials and Mechanical. During the visit, Junior Councillors will gain first-hand insight into how waste is sorted and processed, either for recycling into new products or for generating renewable energy.

Colne Junior Council is made up of pupils from Christ Church, Park Primary, Primet Primary, Trawden Forest Primary School and West Street School. This year, the group has launched an ambitious can-collection campaign in support of Colne Open Door Centre Charity.

“Although the value fluctuates, one tonne of crushed cans can raise around £550,” explained Mr Peers, Headteacher of Christ Church School. “Our aim is for each school to collect at least one tonne.”

To promote the initiative, the Junior Councillors will work together to produce a video encouraging can collection, alongside a second video focusing on food waste reduction. Trawden Forest Primary already composts all snack waste, supporting its award-winning school garden.

The next meeting of Colne Junior Council will take place on the 6th of March and will be attended by a Pendle Council representative, who will outline the benefits of the new Food Waste Collection Service due to launch in April.





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## Town Centre Roadworks



Don't forget that there may be delays in the town centre as work to improve Colne Bus Station began on Monday 19th of January; the first phase of a wider scheme to upgrade facilities and improve access for passengers. The work is expected to take around 10 weeks.

The improvements are fully funded and are being carried out by Lancashire County Council through its Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) This is in support of Pendle Borough Council's town centre regeneration plans.


Phase one will increase the number of bus bays from three to five, introduce new shelters with real-time passenger information, and improve pedestrian access. While the bus station is closed, temporary bus stops will operate from Craddock Road, with some nearby parking restrictions in place.

Further phases will focus on improving traffic flow and pedestrian routes around the station.

## DID YOU KNOW?



Members of the public are welcome to attend all public meetings at the Town Hall.

If you wish to speak at a meeting, please register your request by 12pm the day before the meeting by emailing us at: [admin@colnetowncouncil.org.uk](mailto:admin@colnetowncouncil.org.uk)



All public meetings are also streamed live on our Colne Town Council  **YouTube** channel!

## Upcoming Council Meetings

### *Finance Employment & Services*

 Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2026  
 7pm-9pm

### *Blues Festival Advisory Committee*

 Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2026  
 6.30pm-8.30pm



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## OUR SERVICES



### ● WHAT CAN WE HELP WITH?

Alkincoates Park

Neighbourhood Plan

Allotments

Play Areas & MUGAs

Benches

Primet Community Centre

Bus Shelters

Parks & Town Hall CCTV

Christmas Lights

Town Centre Floral Displays

Colne Town Hall

Treasure Our Town

Events

Weddings

Footpath Network



For enquiries regarding any of the above, contact us on  
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## OTHER SERVICES

### ● WHAT CAN'T WE HELP WITH?



Bins & Recycling	➔➔	Pendle Council
Bulky Household Collections	➔➔	Pendle Council
Benefits & income	➔➔	Citizens Advice Bureau
Council Tax	➔➔	Pendle Council
Council Tax Support	➔➔	Pendle Council
Flytipping	➔➔	Pendle Council
Housing Benefit	➔➔	Pendle Council
Planning	➔➔	Pendle Council
Pot Holes/Roads	➔➔	Lancashire County Council
Social Housing	➔➔	B-with-us / Together Housing
Town Centre CCTV	➔➔	Blackburn with Darwen Council



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<p>Name: Email: Address: Phone:</p>	<p><b>Together Housing</b> enquiries@togetherhousing.co.uk Wharf Street, Blackburn 0300 555 5560</p>	
<p>Name: Email: Address: Phone:</p>	<p><b>Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB)</b> debtteam@cael.org.uk 01282 616750</p>	
<p>Name: Email: Address: Phone:</p>	<p><b>Blackburn With Darwen Council (Colne Town Centre CCTV)</b> 01254 585585</p>	



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Did you know that as well as calling Lancashire County Council to report local Highways issues, you can also report it online? You can report anything from potholes to street lighting, to damaged street signs & more by visiting:

>>> <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/report-it/>

You can also download the 'Love Clean Streets App' so that you can report issues on the go.

The screenshot shows the Lancashire County Council website. At the top, there is a search bar and navigation links. The main heading is "Report it". Below this, there is a section for "Highways satisfaction survey" and a "Most popular issues" section with four buttons: "Pothole", "Street light", "Traffic light", and "Damaged sign". Below that is an "Other issues you can report" section with a grid of 16 buttons, including "Bollard", "Bus stop/shelter", "Flooding or blocked drain", "Grit bins", "Missing manhole cover", "Diesel/oil spillage", "Road cleaning", "Road marking", "Obstruction", "Tripping hazard", "Works causing a problem", "Broken flag", "Public Rights of Way", "Collapsed road", and "Vegetation and trees". A red circle highlights a "Download the app" pop-up window that says "The app is free to download. Simply search for 'Love Clean Streets' on the App store or Google Play Store on your mobile phone or tablet. Set Lancashire County Council as your home authority." and includes "Download on the App Store" and "GET IT ON Google Play" buttons.



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## UPCOMING COLNE TOWN COUNCIL EVENTS 2026

**EASTER**  
-IN COLNE-  
SAT 4<sup>th</sup> APRIL

COLNE TOWN CENTRE

11AM-4PM

**COLNE GALA**

**COLNE GRAND PRIX**

TUE 16th JUN

COLNE TOWN CENTRE FROM 5PM

SAT 20TH JUNE

**COLNE GALA**

TOWN CENTRE PARADE  
HOLT HOUSE PLAYING FIELDS  
11AM-4PM

SUNDAY 26TH JULY

**FAMILY FUN DAY**

ALKINCOATES PARK

11AM-4PM

**EASTER**

*Christmas* IN **COLNE**

11am-7pm

SATURDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

For more information visit our Colne Town Council Events Facebook page, email: [n.cutler@colnetowncouncil.org.uk](mailto:n.cutler@colnetowncouncil.org.uk) or telephone: 01282 861888



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