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SPECIAL VISIT: Uddingston Grammar pupil Seb Cooper helps welcome the Osiligi Masai Warriors from Kenya, who tour the UK once a year to support their families and raise awareness of their charity

RED TAGS FOR BLUE BIN GAFFES

RECYCLING bins in South Lanarkshire which have been contaminated by the wrong material will no longer be lifted during scheduled collections.

The bins will be marked with a red tag and it will be the householder's responsibility to ensure the contaminated material is removed before the next collection day.

Contamination of the recycling bins cost the council almost £60,000 in April

this year – money which would have been spent on services for local people.

At the start of the summer stickers were placed on residents' blue bins to remind them what can and can't go in them.

During July, August and September contaminated bins have had yellow tags placed on them, which told the resident that their bin was contaminated and to leave it out for collection on their next general waste collection day.

Good quality recycled waste means that it will be manufactured into valuable goods rather than being sent to landfill.

Chair of the council's Community and Enterprise Resources Committee, Councillor John Anderson, said: "We need to take action to ensure that the contamination does not continue to cost the council money which we cannot afford."

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GOING RED TO TURN BLUE BINS GREEN

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"There is no excuse for not recycling correctly, the information about what should and shouldn't go in all our bins is available on our website and on the stickers placed on blue bins.

"The more we recycle means the less we have going to landfill, and we have to ensure we protect the planet as much as we can for future generations.

"It really is not too much to ask the correct rubbish is put in the correct bin."

The most common types of contamination found in recycling bins are black bag waste (for example bags of rubbish that should go in the green/black bin), nappies, food waste, electrical items, textiles and shoes.

The red tags will be placed on contaminated bins from 1 October.



Paper

Accepted: newspapers, magazines, leaflets, phone directories, envelopes (fully intact including glue and windows), brochures, office paper, letters, catalogues, unwanted mail, shredded paper, wrapping paper, paperback books. Hardback books are also accepted but we would always recommend that these are re-used or donated to a charity shop.

NOT accepted: tissues, napkins, paper towels, nappies, laminated paper, padded envelopes, wet paper, textiles, Pringles tubes.



Card

Accepted: cereal boxes, brown corrugated packaging, sleeves from ready meals, toilet/kitchen roll tubes, greeting cards, cardboard egg boxes, toothpaste boxes

NOT accepted: Drinks and food cartons, wet card, wet cardboard, takeaway food boxes (for example pizza boxes) if contaminated with food.

For more details of what is **accepted** or **not accepted** go to bit.ly/SLCBlueBin



TOURISM STRATEGY IS AGREED

SOUTH Lanarkshire Council is working with the other seven local authorities who make up the Glasgow City Region City Deal to boost tourist numbers to the west of Scotland by an additional one million over the next five years.

A Tourism Strategy has been agreed by the leaders of the eight Glasgow City Region councils, including South Lanarkshire Council Leader John Ross.

It forms part of the collaborative work being delivered through the joint Glasgow City Region economic strategy, launched last year, which set out a range of measures to grow the economy, jobs and business.

Councillor Ross said: "One of the aims of this strategy is for all the councils to work together, to make sure that what we individually offer is part of a bigger offer to visitors."

"Tourists don't look at council boundaries when they decide on attractions and places of interest to visit, so this partnership approach makes sense."

"We have numerous unique attractions, landmarks and places of interest in South Lanarkshire and it makes sense we work with our neighbouring authorities to bring as many visitors as possible to the west of Scotland."

Among the actions set out in the Glasgow City Region tourism strategy, the councils will establish a city region culture group to promote and maximise existing cultural assets.

A regional events and festivals forum will be established to map and co-ordinate a programme of events to develop new and existing audiences.

A new outdoor activities group will also aim to identify themes that will allow cross-boundary activities.



BOOST: South Lanarkshire Council Leader John Ross (second from right) joins other council leaders at the launch of the new strategy

Access to free sanitary products launched for South Lanarkshire pupils

EVERY School in South Lanarkshire is to be supplied with sanitary products to support equality and ensure that no girl has to miss any of her education.

Councillor Collette Stevenson, South Lanarkshire Depute Provost, said: "I am absolutely delighted to see this moving ahead.

"Schools, both primary and secondary, have received a supply of products that are to be made freely

available to anyone who needs them, regardless of whether it's for a one off emergency or on a regular basis and, crucially, this includes allowing for school holidays.

Councillor Julia Marrs, Spokesperson for Youth at South Lanarkshire Council, said: "This is a commitment to support the equality, dignity and rights of young people to ensure that any lack of access to sanitary products does not impact on anyone's ability to fully participate in education."

The initiative is assisted by funding from the Scottish Government and also supporting its launch in South Lanarkshire was MSP Linda Fabiani.

She said: "It's wonderful to see this happening and is an inspiration and an example to others as this vital initiative is rolled out in areas right across Scotland."

Head of Education at the council, Lynn Sherry, said: "We very much welcome this initiative in the interest of equality and opportunity for all. No young person should be held back from being able to access education.

"It is great to see that all schools in the area are working with pupils and staff to identify how best to make these products freely available while protecting their dignity and avoiding anxiety, embarrassment and stigma."

Chloe Carmichael, a member of the Scottish Youth Parliament, added: "This is something I have been working on for a long time. It's something that is really needed for many reasons, and so it is great to see it starting to become a reality to help girls with such an important matter.

"No one should suffer in this way, and hopefully now no one will."

SUPPORT: MSYPs Chloe Carmichael and Faith Sindick (front) join with sixth-year girls from St Andrew's and St Bride's HS, Deputy Provost Collette Stevenson (seated, second left), head teacher Fiona Mullen (seated, centre) and Lynn Sherry (standing, left), Head of Education for East Kilbride, to launch the initiative.



NEW TRACK LETS ATHLETES KEEP ON RUNNING



JOGGING ON: Councillors Watson and Anderson are joined by junior coaches Vincent Glennon and Colin Frew and junior members of East Kilbride Amateur Athletics Club as the track is re-opened

ATHLETES in East Kilbride and surrounding areas can now enjoy a completely refurbished running track at John Wright Sports Centre.

The popular 400 metre track has had repairs to the base layer, total track re-texturing and re-lining at a cost of £80,000.

Officially opened in 1989 by the 1980 Moscow Olympics 800m Gold Medallist, Steve Ovett, the facility serves two resident athletics clubs and is also popular with South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture Fitness members.

The venue plays host to a range of other groups including school sports days and championships, charity events and the Lanarkshire AAA. It hosted the International Children's Games Athletics competition in 2011, which was attended by American 200m Gold Medallist from the 1968 Mexico Olympics, Tommie Smith.

Chair of South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture, Councillor David Watson, said: "It's great that the running track has now been upgraded and I am sure local clubs and their athletes will enjoy competing on the new surface."

Chair of South Lanarkshire Council's Community and Enterprise Resources Committee, Councillor John Anderson, said: "It was great to see the refurbished track and that we are committed to providing high quality facilities for athletes of all ages."

'Treat me well' to tackle bullying

A NEW strategy has been launched to tackle bullying in schools across South Lanarkshire.

Treat Me Well was launched at a recent meeting of teachers and education staff from across the area and provides guidance developed in line with Respect for All – the National Approach to Anti Bullying for Scotland's Children and Young People.

There are five key components to Treat Me Well: a clear working definition of bullying in line with the national approach; a positive ethos; positive strategies and structures; a procedure for handling bullying incidents and recording, monitoring, evaluating and reporting.

Chair of South Lanarkshire Council's Education Resources Committee, Councillor Katy Loudon, said: "We take the issue of bullying very seriously and it is important that we have clear definitions of what bullying is, how it is recognised and the supports we have in place to help anyone suffering from it.

"Staff, parents, carers, partner agencies, but most importantly children and young people, have all had input into this guidance.

"We want to encourage the creation of learning environments that are safe, nurturing, respectful and free from fear, abuse and discrimination.

"We worked very closely with Respectme and Education Scotland to develop this resource."

Treat Me Well has been shared with schools across South Lanarkshire and will be implemented with immediate effect.



RESPECT: the new bullying strategy is launched outside council HQ with senior education staff including Executive Director Tony McDaid and pupils from John Ogilvie High School



World of sport a



AN innovative arts, culture and exercise membership aimed at pre-school children has been launched in South Lanarkshire.

Tiny ACE has been designed to mirror the hugely successful ACE programme for school aged children, developed by South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture (SLLC) five years ago, and offering the chance to take part in a wide variety of activities for just £16.50 a month.

Much like its counterpart, Tiny ACE is thought to be the first such membership programme in the country, offering more than 50 classes in libraries and leisure centres across the authority to the pre-school age group for one fixed monthly fee. Also included is:

- **General swimming at a choice of nine swimming pools**
- **Crèches**
- **General skate sessions at East Kilbride Ice Rink (Monday – Friday)**
- **Libraries**
- **Calderglen Zoo**
- **10% discount on our fantastic range of birthday party packages (restrictions may apply)**

Left to right: Cllr David Watson, Gerry Campbell, General Manager SLLC, baby Max Lannon, sister, Grace Lannon on bike and baby Ollie Adam at the Tiny ACE launch day. Also joining in the fun is Tiny ACE mascot, Scorch.

Chair of SLLC, Councillor David Watson went along to East Kilbride Central Library recently to meet some of the first families to sign up.

He explained: "Our membership brings together access to a wide range of early years activities from sports, physical activity, culture and libraries, in a way that hasn't been done before for pre-schoolers. And with such a wide variety of activities to choose from, I'm sure there will be something for everyone."

"Tiny ACE has been designed to enable children to explore and discover a range of activities to help develop their creativity, speech, social and motor skills and encourage them to develop an active mind and body."

Four-year-olds Carter, Tino, Lily and Eliana from Hamilton's Hollandbush Nursery showed off some of the activities on offer to pre-school kids courtesy of Tiny ACE.

Football-mad Carter, dancer Eliana, artist Lily and 'star baker' Tino can all find classes to suit their interests in the exciting new programme.

and culture for 'Tiny ACEs'

Activities in the new programme are suitable for a range of age groups from birth to P1, and include:

- **Baby Massage** - delivered by an IAIM qualified tutor, enabling hands on time between adult and baby, encouraging bonding and attachment from an early age.
- **Celebration club** - A fun class learning how people celebrate around the world.
- **Cybertots** - Teaching ICT skills at early years stage
- **Football** - structured sessions introducing the game in a fun, safe and supported environment
- **Gymnastics** - An introduction to gymnastics and the use of basic apparatus.
- **Little Picassos** - Messy and fun art sessions exploring texture and colour through painting.
- **Mini music makers** - Workshops for pre-school children and their grown up companions.
- **Splash, Rhyme and Story time** - Parent and child sing together and listen to a story in the pool while becoming confident in the water and learning early swimming skills.

In fact they can get involved with as much or as little as they like for just one monthly membership fee, which is already a big hit with parents across South Lanarkshire.

Concluded Cllr Watson: "Research continues to show us that the pre-school years are crucial; a time when interests or skills can be honed and supported whilst capturing that fabulous creativity and imagination that young children have.

"I'm incredibly impressed by the effort that has gone in to making Tiny ACE both diverse and inclusive, opening up hours and hours of fun, learning and opportunity to the very youngest members of our community."

All of the Tiny ACE activities can be found in a comprehensive brochure which can be picked up from SLLC venues or accessed at www.slleisureandculture.co.uk. Each activity can also be accessed on a Pay as You Go basis as well as through the Tiny ACE Membership scheme.



- **Toddler Yoga** - A session for parents and toddlers up to preschool children. A combination of relaxation and exercise which involves both parent and child. Using songs, stories and rhymes to accompany movement and stretching.
- **Wee Scientist** - experiments and challenges in science, technology and engineering
- **When I grow up I'm going to be...**
A fun session that teaches children about jobs and occupations and an opportunity to meet a real live professional.
- **Zoo Tots** - Discover the fascinating world of animals at Calderglen Zoo, through games and craft activities.

Left to right:
Carter, Tino and Eliana
from Hollandbush Nursery,
Hamilton.



CHICANES TO BE REMOVED FOLLOWING CONSULTATION

CHICANES in Sherry Drive, Hamilton, are to be removed, the area resurfaced and safety features introduced.

Following a consultation exercise in July and August, South Lanarkshire Council received around 700 responses to the four options available.

Almost half of those who responded went for option four, which was to: **Remove all chicanes, introduce part-time mandatory 20mph speed limit over the frontage of St Mark's Primary School and a further two Vehicle Activated Signs downhill from the school. Also provide a central hatched area with coloured surfacing over the length of Sherry Drive from Nevis Avenue to Stewart Avenue.**

A number of responses highlighted speeding traffic concerns, so a further two VAS signs will be introduced, taking the number to four.

The works will begin on Monday, 1 October with preparatory works (i.e. localised patching and removal of the chicanes), followed by the carriageway resurfacing from Saturday, 13 October for nine days and the road markings and signs will then begin from Monday, 22 October.

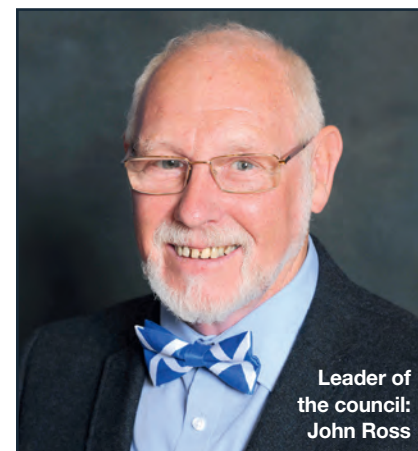
Leader of South Lanarkshire Council, Councillor John Ross said: "We want to thank everyone who participated in the survey, either online or by attending our two open evenings at St Mark's Primary School.

"We have listened carefully to the feedback we have received and are confident that this option is the best one.

"We would request that all road users allow additional time for all journeys and that they plan their routes accordingly.

"We apologise for any inconvenience that may occur."

Once in place the new arrangements will be monitored.



Leader of the council:
John Ross



COUNCILLORS JOIN FORCES FOR ARMISTICE CHALLENGE

SOUTH Lanarkshire's local councillors have agreed their own peace deal to put aside political differences and accept a special fundraising challenge to mark the 100th anniversary of the ending of the First World War.

The 1918 Poppy Pledge challenges groups and individuals to raise £1918 for Poppy Scotland. South Lanarkshire's elected members aim to do so by pedalling 1918 miles on an exercise bike on loan from Origin Fitness Limited and set up at South Lanarkshire Council headquarters in Hamilton (pictured above).

The council's Veterans' Spokesperson Councillor Mark Horsham said: "The 100th anniversary of the end of one of the most brutal and bloody conflicts in human history should be a time for reflection on the values that we hold common."

"I am delighted that the councillors have come together and there is enthusiastic cross party support for this challenge which aims to raise £1918 for Poppy Scotland."

The South Lanarkshire Councillors Team has its own page on the 1918 Poppy Pledge fundraising page bit.ly/poppypledge

NEW HOMES ON THE WAY FOR CARLUKE

THE council has broken ground on another new council house development in Carluke.

Built on twin sites off Kirkton Road and Union Street that formerly held the council's Q and A office and a garage, the development comprises 18 high-quality amenity flats and is expected to be completed by Spring next year.

Daniel Lowe, Executive Director of Housing and Technical Resources at South Lanarkshire Council, who carried out the traditional cutting of the first sod, said: "I am delighted to officially start construction work on this latest development."

"Improving the quality and range of housing suitable for meeting a wider range of needs is a key strand of South Lanarkshire Council's Local Housing Strategy, and the council's Home+ new-build programme provides an important opportunity to address the needs of older residents and people with particular needs."

"These flats are specifically designed to be suitable for older people and this is something that is greatly needed in Carluke."

"Built to the latest standards of accessibility these spacious amenity flats incorporate a range of design features that will enable older people to live independently in their own homes, for longer."

"This project is typical of many empty sites that have been re-used by the council to help meet the pressing shortage of affordable housing across South Lanarkshire. Like this one, these sites are in great locations, putting affordable housing where it's needed in the heart of established communities."

"The council's Home+ programme, supported by Scottish Government affordable housing grant subsidy, continues to make good progress in delivering new homes to tenants throughout South Lanarkshire. With 168 new homes complete to date, and a further nine projects scheduled to deliver a further 210 homes in 2018/19 on sites in Clydesdale, East Kilbride,



GROUND-BREAKING: Daniel Lowe, Executive Director of Housing and Technical Resources, cuts the first sod to officially start South Lanarkshire Council's development of 18 amenity flats in the heart of Carluke, watched by (left to right) Sharon Egan, the council's Area Housing Manager for Clydesdale, CCG's Tom Tracy (Contracts Manager), Kirsty Kirke (Head of Pre-Contract Operations) and Innes Arthur (Site Construction Manager), and the council's Head of Property Services, Frank McCafferty.

Hamilton and Blantyre, we are well on our way to delivering our target of 1000 homes by 2021."

The development will comprise three blocks, each of six flats, with associated car parking and landscaping. The three-storey buildings will be of high-quality modern design using composite materials on the external walls and will have solar panels installed on the roofs. Each block will have access to a sheltered bin store and a drying area.

The development will be constructed by Glasgow-based construction and manufacturing company CCG (Scotland) Ltd and will be developed and managed by the council to provide amenity housing. The flats have been designed for disabled access and also contain a lift.

CCG Chairman and Chief Executive Alastair Wylie said: "CCG is delighted to be working with South Lanarkshire Council

again at Kirkton Road on what is an ideal town centre location in Carluke."

"With an ageing population, the construction of these amenity flats will go a long way to supporting the needs of the community and, with CCG's construction experience, we will ensure that they are delivered to the highest standards of quality and environmental efficiency."

The homes' environmental performance will be further enhanced with energy-saving products such as an enhanced level of insulation specification, solar panels and modern heating systems and boilers, ensuring that the residents will benefit from savings on their energy bills.

To specifically meet the needs of older people, the properties will have lift access, large entrance halls and gardens with designated seating areas, while disabled spaces will be included among the parking facilities.

Policy will support women employees through the menopause

A POLICY to support women through the menopause and increase understanding in the workplace to augment that support is to be implemented by South Lanarkshire Council.

The action is in line with the belief held in a number of organisations – including the Government, NHS, health professional organisations such as the Royal College of Nursing and trades unions – that there is a need for greater guidance on the personal and professional issues faced by women relating to the menopause.

The South Lanarkshire Council policy will ensure that all line managers have been trained to understand how the menopause can affect employees at work and provide information to all women in the workplace on how they can find support for any issues that arise as a result of the menopause.

Councillor Collette Stevenson, Depute Chair of the council's Finance and Corporate Resources Committee, said: "This is a health issue that will affect all women, usually between the ages of 45 and 55 but, in 1% of cases, before 40 years of age."

"It is important for any organisation of any size to recognise the support that is needed, but considering there are more than 11,000 women working for South Lanarkshire Council, then we have considerable responsibility to treat them with understanding."

The South Lanarkshire Council Menopause Policy has been developed in partnership, and agreed with, the Joint Trade Union Executive and is consistent with all available guidance, including that from the NHS and STUC.

BLOOD BROTHERS SET FOR TRIUMPHANT RETURN TO TOWN HOUSE

ONE of theatre's best-known and loved productions is set for a week-long run at Hamilton's Town House.

Multi award-winning 'Blood Brothers' will grace the stage from November 19-24 with Olivier-nominated actress Linzi Hateley – Joseph and his Technicolor Dreamcoat, Les Misérables, Chicago – in the seminal role of Mrs Johnstone.

A production of the show played to full houses in Hamilton in 2009 and tickets for its 2018 run are expected to sell out fast.

A sensational cast, incredible show-stopping music, remarkable staging and five star performances make Blood Brothers an enthralling night of entertainment.

Performances are at 7.30pm Monday 19 - Saturday 24 November plus Wednesday and Saturday matinees at 2.30pm.

Tickets priced from £27-34 are available from the Box Office on 01698 452299 or online at www.sllcboxoffice.co.uk



SUMMER CLUBS A SUCCESS

A PILOT programme of school summer clubs in South Lanarkshire is being hailed as a resounding success by children and families.

The clubs were set up at three hub schools to trial a summer programme of activities aimed at supporting parents and carers in ensuring children could enjoy fun and friendship during the holidays.

Glenlee Primary in Hamilton hosted a fun day for all three pilot clubs on Friday 10 August, with children from the clubs at Hamilton's Udston Primary and St Anthony's in Rutherglen joining them.

South Lanarkshire Council's Education Resources chair Katy Loudon said: "Every child who took part in our summer clubs seems to have had a great time and taken up the opportunity to try out a range of activities that they might not have experienced otherwise."

"The clubs also gave us the opportunity to look at the benefits of providing a healthy midday meal during the holidays to children who receive free school meals during term time and this seems to have been a great success."

Executive Director of Education Resources Tony McDaid said: "While meal provision was only a part of the summer club experience it seems to have been particularly beneficial for those who find the long holiday period particularly difficult due limited budgets or difficult family circumstances such as ill health."

The summer programme included activities such as fitness and dance arts and crafts, Nerf Wars®, outdoor play and sports, and technology and gaming.



IMPRESSED: Katie gave the clubs a gold star; Caireen McGrory and Andrew Marshall said their children had a great time

Organisations including Scottish Fire and Rescue, Police Scotland and the Dogs Trust visited the clubs over the summer and there was also a family day out.

Among those attending Glenlee were 12 year old Phoebe and 10 year old Keira, and the pair became firm friends over the summer. Phoebe said: "It has been a great experience and gave us something to do to get out and have fun."

Keira said: "We would probably not have met if we did not come to the club,

so making a new friend has really added to my summer."

Peter Jaconelli took his grandson to the Glenlee Primary School club. He said: "The family have found the summer club really helpful, it has kept him busy and provided lots of fun and friendship."

Laura McKinnon's daughter attended the club at Udston Primary, and Laura said: "It has been great. It broke up the summer for her and let her meet up with pals in a safe environment."

"Every child who took part in our summer clubs seems to have had a great time and taken up the opportunity to try out a range of activities that they might not have experienced otherwise"

Adrianna McGougan was one of the children who attended the club at Rutherglen's St Anthony's primary. She said: "I had lots of fun and the arts and crafts was my favourite thing."

Up to 80 children attended each of the three summer clubs and individual schools will be following up on the summer clubs to get feedback from their pupils who took part in this year's pilot programme.

The summer clubs were part of a series of new initiatives introduced by South Lanarkshire Council in its 2018/19 budget, and more clubs are planned for future holidays. Another initiative was the establishment of a number of breakfast clubs which will be open to school children across the area.

A number of pilot breakfast clubs got underway before the summer break, and a total of 45 schools will start offering free, healthy breakfasts from 8:15am each school day in the new term, with other schools expected to follow.

For details of the schools taking part in the breakfast clubs see the council website: www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/Breakfastclubs



HAPPY: Adrianna loved the St Anthony's Club

UPskilling aims to make work pay

SOUTH Lanarkshire Council is encouraging local employers and their workforces to take advantage of a programme designed to tackle in work poverty and promote fair work.

The authority's 'Upskilling' initiative can support low paid workers to undertake training that could enhance their opportunities and potentially lead to improved pay, increased hours or job progression.

Explained Councillor Gladys Miller, Chair of the Finance and Corporate Resources committee: "The primary aim of this service is to reduce in-work poverty by enabling people in receipt of in-work benefits, limited hours, zero hours contracts etc to progress to better paid, more secure employment and to develop and improve their ability to make work pay."

To be eligible for up-skilling support, workers must satisfy the following criteria:

- Aged 18+
- living in South Lanarkshire
- Preferably employed for six months or more
- Low skilled, few qualifications

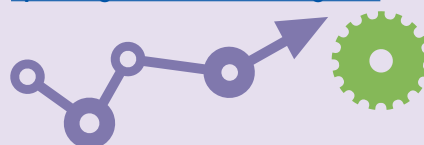
This programme also offers support to local employers and supports them to demonstrate a clear commitment to improve their employees' circumstances.

Added Cllr Miller: "As well as offering multiple benefits to eligible employees, we want to support employers too who show a genuine interest in developing the potential of staff which could ultimately increase profitability and productivity."

"The Upskilling team work with employers to customise the programme to fit business requirements, meaning that the training and support given can be genuinely bespoke with tangible outcomes for all involved. It really is a win-win and I would urge any local employers to come in and see how we can help."

"We hope that by offering industry accredited training to eligible participants that we can safeguard jobs and increase aspirations which will enable workers to compete for better paid jobs and maybe even negate the need to access state benefits."

For more information or to refer a candidate contact the UPskilling team on 01698 452026 or email upskilling@southlanarkshire.gov.uk



MUD MADNESS: ONE STEP BEYOND AT CHATELHERAULT

FITNESS fans are set for complete Mud Madness as the cross country obstacle race returns to Chatelherault Country Park for a second year.

After the inaugural event proved a huge success in 2017 South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture are pulling out all the stops in October to make sure this year's event offers more fun, more challenges and MORE MUD!

Mud Madness will take full advantage of Chatelherault's unique and spectacular setting with participants taking on mud runs, water slides, obstacles and even a dip in the River Avon. Chair of South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture (SLLC) Councillor David Watson said:

"Mud Madness was brilliant last year and this year promises to be even better."

"There's been a lot of work around Chatelherault over the last 12 months so our runners and spectators will get to enjoy the spectacular historic views that have been restored by the removal of commercial forestry plantations and significant pathway improvements throughout the park."

Race day registration is open from 8:30 to 9:30am in the courtyard at Chatelherault Visitor Centre. For further information visit the Mud Madness page on the SLLC website: bit.ly/2LVCC2N. Mud Madness will take place on Sunday, 7 October.



MY GIRL: Mud madness promises family fun for all ages



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