



Sandwell Community Information & Participation Service

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Many of you have previously enjoyed attending our bi-monthly general meetings. Since we held our last general meeting we have moved offices and gained two new members of staff. We are subsequently well overdue a general meeting.

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Our invited guest speaker will be Neil Martin, SMBC Repairs Manager, talking about online repairs. A buffet will be provided and you will have the opportunity to network with other SCIPS members and catch up on the work SCIPS have been doing.

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We look forward to welcoming all of our members back



The meeting will be held on
Tuesday 22nd March 2022,
11 am - 3pm at;
The National Metalforming Centre
37 - 47 Birmingham Road
West Bromwich
West Midlands
B70 6PY

Please call to confirm your attendance, and inform us of any dietary requirements

0121 544 1230 or Email Helena@scips.org.uk

Digi-Comm update



The Digi-Comm project is fast approaching its third and final year of delivery. Digi-Comm is a project we are delivering in partnership with St Albans Community Association, which aims to give digital confidence to the people of Sandwell, through our taught Click and Chat program. Bespoke one off training sessions have been developed as well as one to one support in peoples homes where appropriate.

Following on from the phenomenal success of the Click and Chat program delivered at Cradley Heath Community Centre and Wednesbury 2000. We have developed one off training sessions, based on feedback we have received from our learners.

The one off sessions, where possible, will focus on the use of Apps. Guidance booklets have been developed to support learners to online grocery shop with various supermarkets, alongside reporting housing repairs and anti social behaviour (ASB) via MySandwell' online platforms, as well as sessions focusing on using the NHS App and WhatsApp.



Delivery of training will be done via our own equipment, with bespoke training guides, providing the learner with a step by step picture image of what to expect when using the Apps. Learners themselves will require an email address and access to a device post delivery, to implement learning and access information at home.

A full list of the learning dates from March 2022 through April 2023, with information regarding times and venues across the six towns of Sandwell are available on the next page. Due to demand, all spaces will need to be prebooked in order to confirm that you have a space.



The training is free to access, and travel expenses can be reimbursed. To confirm your place, or find out more about the sessions please call 0121 544 1230.

Digi-Comm Training dates

Date	Time	Session	Venue
Thursday 17th March 2022	1pm—3pm	Asda - App	Smethwick (Dorothy Parkes)
Thursday 28th April 2022	1pm - 3pm	MySandwell	Oldbury (Portway Lifestyle)
Thursday 26th May 2022	1pm - 3pm	NHS - App	Wednesbury (Friar Park CC)
Thursday 23rd June 2022	10am - 12pm	WhatsApp - App	Rowley Regis (Blackheath Li- brary)
Thursday 21st July 2022	10am - 12pm	Iceland - App	West Bromwich (Gayton Road CC)
Thursday 18th August 2022	10am - 12pm	MySandwell	Tipton (Jubilee Park CC)
Thursday 22nd September 2022	1pm - 3pm	Repairs	Smethwick (Dorothy Parkes)
Thursday 20th October 2022	1pm - 3pm	ASB	Oldbury (Portway Lifestyle)
Thursday 24th November 2022	1pm - 3pm	Morrisons - App	Wednesbury (Friar Park CC)
Thursday 15th December 2022	10am - 12pm	Tesco - App	Rowley Regis (Blackheath Li- brary)
Thursday 19th January 2023	10am—12pm	NHS - App	West Bromwich (Gayton Road)
Thursday 16th February 2023	10 am - 12pm	WhatsApp - App	Tipton
Thursday 23rd March 2023	1pm - 3pm	Iceland - App	Smethwick (Dorothy Parks)
Thursday 20th April 2023	1pm - 3pm	My Sandwell	Oldbury (Portway Lifestyle)

Shine A Light Festival



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A full programme of exciting events and engaging activities. These will take place over six weekends – one in each of Sandwell's six towns – ending with a two week Shine a Light Festival at Sandwell Valley from 25 July to 8 August.

The six towns' Shine a Light Festivals will take place at town centres, heritage sites, public and open spaces from 10am - 4pm each day.

Oldbury Town Centre - 23rd & 24th April

Wednesbury Town Centre - 7th & 8th May

Smethwick, lightwoods Park - 21st & Bearwood High Street 22nd May

West Bromwich Town Centre - 11th & 12th June

Rowley Regis– Cradley Heath—25th June & Blackheath High Street 26th June

Tipton Town Centre - 16th & 17th July

As part of the shine a light festival weekend there will also be a ticketed evening festival with fairs, live performances, food and drink and entertainment for children and adults at 4pm—9pm each day.

Oldbury– Barnford Park - 23rd April

Wednesbury - Brunswick Park - 7th May

Smethwick - Victoria Park– 21st May

West Bromwich - Dartmouth Park - 11th June

Rowley Regis - Haden Hill Park - 25th June

Tipton - Victoria Park - 16th July



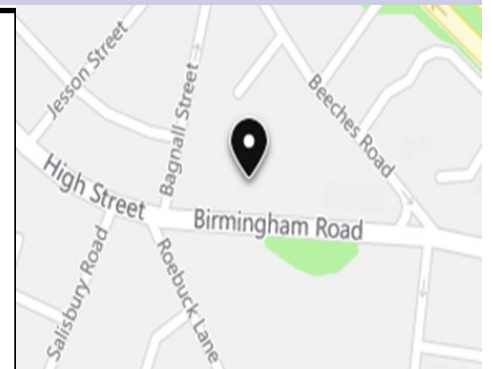
For more information please go to <https://www.sandwell.gov.uk>

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