

Community, Leisure and Culture Portfolio (Deputy Leader and Resilient Communities) Annual Council Briefing 2021/22



£2.6m external funding from the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme has now been granted to Darlaston Swimming Pool.



3746 births and **2719 deaths** during 2021/22



18k music lessons were provided to Walsall children. The Music Hub has been granted **£480,967** for the 2022/23 academic year. The venue has been chosen by the BBC to host **Question Time** in May.



NAG acquired **32 new works** by 30 West Midlands' based artists. Approximately **150 adults and 75 children** attended the Diwali event in October 2021



Walsall Community Network have been administering the Jubilee small grant programme. **Over 100 events** have been funded with a small contribution of £250.00.



The Local Authority Support Officers continue to patrol the borough and issue FPNs for littering offences they witness, **1429 tickets** have been issued this year.

115 oral history recordings digitised as part of the funding from the Culture Recovery Fund for Heritage.



Lichfield Street Hub are offering placement for young people undertaking their Duke of Edinburgh Award.



More than **250k** books were borrowed from Walsall's libraries in 2021-22 – a total of **285,825 loans**.



12k enforcement investigations were undertaken by Regulatory Services.



WALSALL COMMUNITY NETWORK

During 2021/22, WCN supported residents who still didn't feel comfortable leaving their homes. Meals were delivered and door step befriending took place.