

EPiC North & Outer West



Welcome to the July 2026 Edition of the EPiC Newsletter!

We've been making the most of the summer months by meeting residents, supporting local communities, and working closely with partner organisations across the city.

Read on to see some of our July highlights!

Stay safe, stay connected and enjoy this month's edition.

Regards,
EPiC TEAM



What's been Happening!!



Denton – Restoration of Community Artwork

The EPiC team worked closely with relevant council departments to support the removal of graffiti that had damaged an underpass art installation. The City's Cleansing Team successfully removed inflammatory graffiti while preserving artwork created as part of a community project.

Details of the offence have been reported to Northumbria Police, and partner agencies are continuing to monitor the area.

Anyone can report offensive graffiti for removal through envirocall.newcastle.gov.uk – keeping our city clean, tidy and safer.

Kenton Bar – Family Funday

EPiC officers attended a Family Fun Day at Haven School, organised by Action for Children.

During the event, the team engaged with local people and distributed information leaflets to attendees. Residents raised concerns about anti-social behaviour in the Kenton Dene and Kenton Park areas. Officers reassured residents that our team and partner agencies are aware of these issues and are working collaboratively to address them.

Residents were encouraged to report incidents of anti-social behaviour to Northumbria Police, as reporting helps build an accurate picture of ongoing issues and supports partners in taking appropriate action where needed.



Chapel – Ongoing Safety Concerns

EPiC officers have maintained a visible presence in the area through regular patrols, providing reassurance to residents following a recent incident.

Residents, particularly families and dog walkers, have raised concerns about the dangers posed by illegal motorcycle use along the Wagon Way.

In response, the team held a pop-up engagement session to speak directly with local people and address community concerns. Residents were encouraged to report incidents of anti-social behaviour, particularly those involving nuisance and illegal motorcycle use. The event provided an opportunity to gather local intelligence, raise awareness, and reinforce the importance of community reporting in tackling anti-social behaviour.

Lemington – Prevention Support

EPiC NOW officers have been carrying out regular walkabouts in Lemington alongside colleagues from the Selective Licensing Team, supporting their work with privately rented properties and engaging with residents about community safety concerns.

One issue consistently raised by residents is the number of bins left out on streets after collection days. In response, the team is planning targeted work to help residents understand the wider impact this can have on the community. Bins left on the street can be stolen and used in deliberate fires, create obstructions for vehicles and emergency services, and make it more difficult for pedestrians to navigate footpaths. They can also contribute to environmental problems if waste is not managed properly.

By working with residents to raise awareness of these issues, partners aim to promote cleaner, safer and more accessible neighbourhoods for everyone.

Residents are responsible for:

- Presenting bins for collection on the correct day.
- Returning bins to their yard or designated boundary as soon as possible after collection.
- Ensuring bins are not overfilled and lids are kept closed.



City Wide – Report Fires to Protect You Community

Deliberate fire setting can be deadly – a small fire can quickly get out of control.

During the summer months, incidents of deliberate fire setting often increase. We urge residents to consider the impact of their actions and the potential consequences of anti-social behaviour and fire setting. When fire crews are called to avoidable incidents, it can reduce their availability to respond to genuine life-threatening emergencies.

If you see a fire call 999.

If you have information regarding an incident, you can call FireStoppers 100% anonymously on 0800 169 5558. EPiC is here to support you in reporting.

Get Involved. We value your input and support.

Here's how you can help.

Report crime to **POLICE** for **Non-Emergencies 101** for **Emergencies 999**

Become an **EPiC** champion.

Contact us: epic@newcastle.gov.uk

Join our Facebook Group – scan the code to connect with EPiC

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