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Fraud and Scams Awareness

Representatives of Dudley Federation attended a Fraud and Scams Awareness seminar run by DMBC Community Safety Team and were told some shocking and saddening statistics:

- 1 On average there are 2187 victims of fraud per month in the West Midlands and ages 20-29 are at most risk
- 1 The average victim of doorstep crime is an 82 year old female living alone
- 1 It is thought that less than 10% of this is reported. This is often because the victim doesn't know they have been scammed.

Top tip: if you have doubts about the legitimacy of a request for information, take a breath and stay calm.

See <https://takefive-stopfraud.org.uk>

For lots more information on scams to look out for and who to contact, check out

<https://goo.gl/mPRmWa>

Dudley Federation Update

Well, Summer is upon us! You'll see overleaf that there are lots of events planned in the coming months - far too many for us to list! Luckily there is now a website dedicated to bringing you up to date information on what's happening in the borough:

discoverdudley.org.uk contains a huge amount of information on attractions and events in the Borough, enabling you to make the most of what's on your doorstep!

Before this newsletter went to print, the awful fire at Grenfell Tower in London broke out. As a Federation we send our condolences and in response to this we will be having a collection at our general meeting at the end of June for the people affected by the tragedy.

We have contacted Dudley Council to ask what they would be doing in response. This and our official statement can be found on our website dftra.org.uk.

Have your say on Home Affairs

Readers of Home Affairs are being urged to complete a survey about the publication.

Home Affairs was re-launched in September 2015 following consultation with tenants and residents, where they were asked what they would like to read in a community magazine aimed at residents living in Dudley's council estates.

To help evaluate the continued success of this re-design an online survey has been launched to gather readers' views.

You can complete the survey at:

goo.gl/7MQpCU

A random sample of 10% of tenants and leaseholders have also been sent a hard copy of the questionnaire, together with a pre-paid envelope.



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TRA Updates



The biggest upcoming event is the Big Conversation Roadshow which will take place over 8 days and visit 19 locations between 5th - 12th July.

Full information on the locations can be viewed on the centre pages of the Summer edition of Home Affairs, which can be downloaded at <http://www.dudley.gov.uk/resident/housing/latest-housing-news/home-affairs>, a link will also be posted to our website and social media pages. If you're not able to view these please feel free to call us to find out when the van will be in your area.

The Big Conversation aims to talk to people and find out how they feel about where they live and their future housing aspirations. The roadshow will provide new and more interesting ways for views to be put across. **Look out for the camper van!**

Other events happening around the borough

Saturday 8th July 2017 - Upper Gornal Fun Day, The Recreation Ground (The Quarry), Vale Street 12-4pm

Saturday 22nd July 2017 - Brier Fair, Brierley Hill High Street 9am - 5pm

Sunday 23rd July 2017 - Brockmoor & Pensnett Black Country Fun Day, Dell Stadium 1-5pm

Stay up to date with any other events via our Facebook page!

Stay up to date on meetings and events - sign up for FREE email and text alerts



Online at www.dudley.gov.uk/housingalerts



Text your surname, house number and postcode to 07797 870352
e.g. Brookes, 10, DY1 1HF (initial text will only cost your standard text rate)

or



Call 01384 815168 to sign up to the service

The Green Space Improvement Project

We've been at it again! Heritage Court in Quarry Bank was the destination for our most recent garden transformation. You can see photos online of all the hard work completed by excellent volunteers - if you're a willing volunteer don't forget to get in touch!

See what's been achieved so far:

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