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## Community Fridge

Please remember your **50p donation**. It allows us to purchase fuel, bags, cleaning equipment. We cannot continue without donations.

**BRIC A BRAC** Consider donating your unwanted household items to our table which is on display on Saturday mornings.

**HELP:** we need volunteer van drivers to pick up community fridge food from various places in the city on a Thursday to Monday. The person needs to be fit enough to lift containers of food on and off the van.

## Refit

At the July TBRA meeting it was noted that there's been some dissatisfaction with the refit process. Although residents are grateful that work to an estimate of £70,000 is being done on each house, there have been problems. There have been issues with communication, with scaffolding and with nails and screws left behind on the ground. Paul from Mears assured us that these problems and others mentioned will be dealt with. **Please continue to report so that things can be rectified.**

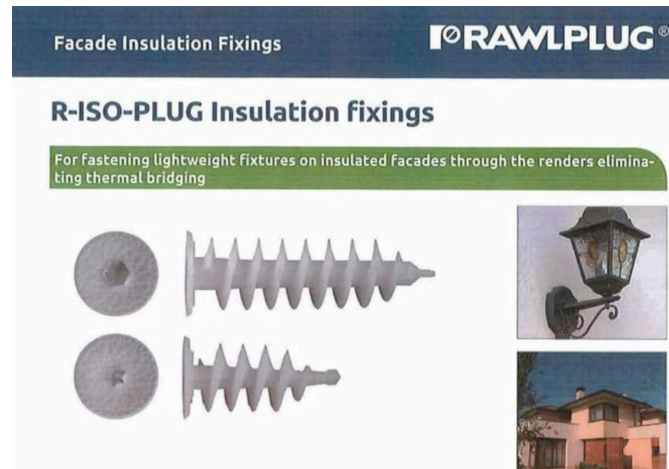
## Refit Fixings

**IMPORTANT:** The new rendering on the front of the council houses requires specific fixings. If you are putting objects back up on the outside of your house, whether it be cameras, lights etc. or you are attaching something new you will be required to use the type of fixing shown below.

**DO NOT** use normal screws as this will damage the render and allow damp to set in creating a major problem.

The screw holes will need to be sealed off with silicone to ensure that there are no gaps to allow wet to seep in.

The fixings can be purchased from Jewsons or SRBE Building Supplies, Bletchley should you need to attach anything to the outside of your house.



# Stay safe this summer!



Young and old, we all love spending time outdoors - barbecuing, relaxing or playing in the sun, getting out and about, and enjoying a drink with friends. Here are some top tips to help you stay safe this summer.

- Have a designated driver.  
One drink does matter. Even if you are below the legal limit, a small amount of alcohol will seriously alter your ability to drive.
- Stay safe around water. Don't swim in local open water. The safest place to swim is your local swimming pool. Remember that alcohol and swimming do not mix.
- Warn your children of the risks on the estate. Don't let them play on the scaffolding. Teach them to be safe near roads. With the H9 being closed for a few months there will be more traffic through the estate. Drivers slow down. 20mph is fast enough through Tinkers Bridge.
- Don't leave barbecues unattended.
- Take your rubbish home after having a picnic. A glass bottle left behind could start a fire. Your rubbish can be a hazard to children, pets and wildlife.



## Antisocial behaviour

It includes - noisy neighbours, vandalism, fly-tipping, drug use and threatening behaviour.

**Reporting anti-social behaviour** could not be easier! However, if an incident is in progress and requires an emergency response, please call 999 (emergency) or 101 (non-emergency), or make an online report to the Thames Valley Police - [www.thamesvalley.police.uk](http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk)

or the council - ASB Officer for Tinkers Bridge is [A.alexander.Robb@milton-keynes.gov.uk](mailto:A.alexander.Robb@milton-keynes.gov.uk)

Please be polite and let neighbours know if you plan to have a barbecue or fire so they can take in washing and close windows. Some people with COPD suffer with smoke.

## H9 - Reduce your speed!

It's shocking and very sad that in July there were two fatalities in one week on our section of the H9 and yet cars continue to speed and pedestrians cross on the busy road rather than using the underpass. The speed limit on one section has been reduced to 40mph but it's not enough. Speed cameras and more speed signs are needed.

## TBRA meeting

It would be lovely to see more residents attend our monthly meetings and have their say. Come and get updates and become more involved in our community. We value your opinion.

GET INVOLVED

*me, you, us*  
safeguarding is everyone's responsibility

It's unbelievable that some people harm vulnerable children and adults but they do! It's everyone's responsibility to look out for signs of children and adults in danger. If you suspect it, don't ignore it. Even if yours is a false alarm always report your suspicions.

**For children:** Call the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) on 01908 253169 or 01908 253170 or email [children@milton-keynes.gov.uk](mailto:children@milton-keynes.gov.uk)

**For Adults:** Call the Adult Social Care team on 01908 252835 or email [safeguardingadults@milton-keynes.gov.uk](mailto:safeguardingadults@milton-keynes.gov.uk)

## Dates for your Diary

All events are at the Tinkers Bridge meeting place unless stated otherwise.

### BIN COLLECTION

Every Tuesday from 7am

### COMMUNITY FRIDGE & CAFE

Every Saturday, 9am - 11am

**NOTE : BOTH CLOSED ON 16 AUGUST**

### H9 ROAD CLOSURE

Wednesday 6 Aug - Saturday 22 Nov

A section of the H9 from V8 to V10 will be closed for concrete repairs.

### TESCO EXPRESS CLOSURE

**NOTE:** the shop and post office will be closed Sunday 10 August 8pm - Friday 15th August 10am for a refit.

### DAY TRIP TO GREAT YARMOUTH

Saturday 16 August (fully booked).  
Thanks to WCC for part funding this event.

### WOUGHTON FESTIVAL

Saturday 6 September, 12 - 4pm,  
Alphabet Park, Netherfield. Food, music, beach party, art & crafts, games, stalls, bouncy castle, face painting

### POTHoles

Councillor Donna Fuller is waiting for a date for work to begin.