

SMBC Update

Council car park charges suspended

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Solihull Council has suspended parking charges in Council-operated car parks and on-street parking bays in Solihull town centre, Knowle and Shirley until further notice.

This decision was approved virtually by the Cabinet Member for Environment & Highways today (Tuesday 21 April). The cabinet report can be found [here](#).

People can still access Council-operated car parks - please check the [website](#) for opening/closing times.

Ticket machines will be covered over and signage put in place to inform motorists of the changes.

Civil Enforcement Officers will continue to be out and about, checking that facilities remain safe and that motorists park sensibly.

For more information about the Council's Transport and Highways Traffic Management service please visit: www.solihull.gov.uk/transport

COVID 19 and VE Day

Friday 8 May 2020 marks the 75th anniversary of Victory in Europe Day (commonly known as VE Day). This year the Government moved the May bank holiday to VE Day to allow the nation to remember the sacrifice so many made in the fight against fascism. Given the restrictions due to COVID-19 here are some ideas to help you get involved safely -

- [Get involved](#) has some useful online resources including tips for hosting a tea party at home, colouring, bunting and creative challenge for children.
- You can also share stories about your family's connection to WW2 by posting photos and stories on social media using #VEDay75.
- Lastly, why not catch up with Dan Snow's creative challenge for children at <https://ve-vjday75.gov.uk/dan-snows-ve-day-challenge/>