June 2026

IN THE Middle

Your newsletter centred around Middlebeck



Middlebeck Way is now open!

We're delighted to share that Newark's Southern Link Road, Middlebeck Way, is now officially open, earlier than expected.

This is a major milestone for the Middlebeck community and the wider Newark area.

Connecting the A1 to the A46, the new road will help ease congestion, improve journey times and make everyday travel simpler for residents.

It also plays a key role in supporting the continued growth of Middlebeck as a thriving, well-connected place to live.

This achievement reflects strong partnership working across a range of organisations, and we're proud to see the benefits now being felt locally.

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Middlebeck
Newark

Welcome
to “In the Middle”

It’s been a busy couple of months at Middlebeck.

With the early opening of Middlebeck Way and the success of our recent Quiz and Acoustic Nights, we’re looking forward to even more events and activities, including our Summer Pub Nights!

Feedback over the years has always included requests for a pub and whilst we can’t bring you a pub, we’re hosting our Summer Pub Nights at Gannets, to bring you the next best thing. Make sure you support these evenings, so that we can host more like them in the future.

Finally, we wanted to let you know how proud we are that we’re able to continue supporting Newark Brazil U16, the grassroots team we’ve sponsored for the past six years. The team has had an incredible season and it’s been brilliant to see their hard work paying off!

We hope to see you at an event soon, and as always, we’ll continue sharing updates as Middlebeck evolves

Best wishes,

Simon

Simon Murphy
Community Development Lead



8 SAIL BREWERY

Summer
PUB NIGHTS
GANNET ARMS
Gannets

STREET FOOD
LIVE MUSIC
GARDEN GAMES
LICENSED BAR

Join us between 6.00pm & 9.30pm on:

FRIDAY JUNE 5TH ★ FRIDAY JULY 3RD ★ FRIDAY AUG 7TH

No ticket required!





Take a closer look at your new play area

Following our earlier update in In the Middle, we're excited to share more detail on the new play area and green space coming to Bluebell Drive later this year.

The wider green space will include new paths and walking routes, benches and a diverse range of natural habitats designated as a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC), supporting ecological preservation.

Alongside this, a separate play area will feature imaginative, timber-based equipment for all ages, from toddlers to teens.

Designed as an undulating, natural landscape, the space will encourage everyday play, relaxation and connection with nature, right on your doorstep.

Play Equipment

1. Climbing Logs
2. Timber Platforms with Tube Slide
3. Harmony Flowers
4. Infinity Bowl
5. Jigglypuff Robina Net Climber
6. Hill Top Slide
7. Stepping Stilts
8. Cross Scale Swing
9. Tunnel Mound
10. Climbing Boulders

We need your help!

We want our local community to help us name the new play area. Email your suggestions to **newark@urbanandcivic.com**





Food Truck visits

June

Wednesday 3rd
Nathan's Kitchen
Friday 5th
Koala Kitchen (pop-up pub night @ Gannets)
Friday 12th
Firehouse Pizza
Saturday 13th
Tommy's Tuck Truck
Eskimoo Milkshakes (both 12-5pm)
Friday 26th
Koala Kitchen

July

Friday 3rd
Firehouse Pizza (pop-up pub night @ Gannets)
Wednesday 8th
Nathan's Kitchen
Sunday 26th
George Is Cooking
Friday 31st
Koala Kitchen

All street food trucks can be found at Bowbridge Square, outside Christ Church School, from 5-8pm.

Middlebeck Community Events 2026

Friday 5th June
Summer Pub Night*
Bar, live music, street food & garden games

Friday 3rd July
Summer Pub Night*
Bar, live music, street food & garden games

Saturday 1st August
Summer Fun Day & BBQ
Live music, games & activities for all the family

Friday 7th August
Summer Pub Night*
Bar, live music, street food & garden games

Wednesday 16th September
Thistle & Sketch Art Workshop
Create your own masterpiece

Friday 30th October
Halloween Pub Quiz
Raising money for Newark Emmaus Trust

Friday 11th December
Festive Pub Quiz
Raising money for Beaumond House Hospice

Gannets MIDDLEBECK

Book your tickets using the QR code
*no ticket required

Contact us

Do you have any questions, feedback or concerns about Middlebeck? We want to hear from you! Please email Simon Murphy, Urban&Civic's Community Development Lead for Middlebeck, at **newark@urbanandcivic.com**

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