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BOROUGH COUNCIL

Leader's Column



Welcome to the Summer 2026 edition of Chronicle magazine...

This year we're celebrating Stevenage turning the wonderful age of 80. We are known for becoming Britain's first new town in November 1946, and seen as a solution to London's post-war housing crisis. We are inviting to more events and encourage you to have host your own as our official motto tells us: "The heart of a town lies in its people," so let's do this with lots of events to mark this fantastic occasion.

Thank you to everyone who came along to Stevenage Day 2026 at King George V playing fields to celebrate our 80th anniversary. What a celebration! Together, we enjoyed the biggest event in our calendar, bringing more than 20,000 people together to enjoy food, drink, rides, entertainment, live music, and dancing. Thank you for your support. Seeing so many residents attend our events makes me proud of Stevenage.

Thanks also to everyone who came to support other events in our calendar, especially our successful Armed Forces Day. I am proud as the Leader of Stevenage Borough Council that we can still remember all those who fought with bravery to give us the freedoms we enjoy today.

It has been a busy period here at the council. In this issue you can read about the success of our St Nicholas ward, which has been named as a Pride in Place neighbourhood, giving the area access to up to £20 million from central government over ten years to develop the community and neighbourhood.

I would like to welcome brand new Cabinet Member Cllr Nazmin Chowdhury, who will be responsible for Stronger Communities and Equalities, and I would also like to take this opportunity to thank former Cllrs Jeannette Thomas and Simon Speller. They have served their wards with real commitment and integrity, and the positive impact of their work will continue to be felt for years to come.

I want to wish you all a fantastic summer and I hope you enjoy the events taking place in the town. It has been an honour to work and support the town in which I chose to settle down and have a family. It is an absolute privilege to be the Leader of the Council, serve this town and support its residents.

Best wishes,
Cllr Richard Henry
Leader of the Council

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We are preparing for change



HERTFORDSHIRE:
DOING THINGS DIFFERENTLY

As you may already know, local councils in Hertfordshire and across the country are changing.

The Government is going ahead with plans to replace the existing district, city and county councils to create fewer, new, 'unitary' councils across the country.

This means that from May 2028, Stevenage Borough Council and Hertfordshire County Council (along with neighbouring district and county councils) will no longer exist, and will be replaced with new councils to provide all of the services which are currently provided by city, district and county councils

Earlier this year, the Government held a public consultation on various options for how the councils could be reorganised and here is the result.

The new unitary authorities will be:

North West Hertfordshire - serving the communities of the existing Dacorum Borough Council and St Albans City & District Council

South West Hertfordshire - serving the communities of the existing Hertsmeire Borough Council, Three Rivers District Council and Watford Borough Council

Central Hertfordshire - serving the communities of the existing North Herts Council (minus five district council wards), Stevenage Borough Council and Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council (minus the Northaw & Cuffley borough council ward)

Eastern Hertfordshire - serving the communities of the existing Broxbourne Borough Council and East Herts District Council, plus the Northaw & Cuffley borough council ward from the existing Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council area and Royston Heath, Royston Palace, Royston Meridian, Ermine, Weston and Sandon district council wards from North Herts Council.

Councils in Hertfordshire remain committed to ensuring a seamless transition into the future authorities and work is underway on building a strong, financially stable and accountable system of local government in Hertfordshire.

The existing councils will continue to provide all their usual services until the new authorities are created.

Elections to the new authorities will take place in May 2027. These elected members will help set up the new councils and operate in a "shadow" capacity ahead of the new authorities being established on 1 April 2028.

More information visit www.hertfordshire-lgr.co.uk/



Transforming Our Town

Stevenage town centre continues to evolve, as part of a programme to introduce new uses and experiences into the heart of the town.

As we celebrate the 80th anniversary of the UK's first New Town, we want to ensure Stevenage remains a place for people to live, work and play.

All the latest information on the programme is available on our social media channels and our website, <https://stevenage-even-better.com/>.

A new Sports & Leisure Centre for Stevenage

A new Sports & Leisure Centre is being built in Stevenage on St Georges Way.

Works on the new facility began earlier this year, resulting in the closure of the Stevenage Swimming Centre Car Park. Hoarding has now been placed around the site but access to the Swimming Centre through reception remains unaffected.

It means there will be no car park access for the duration of the works, but it is expected to reopen in 2028, alongside the new building.

We recommend drivers use St George's Way Multi-Storey (SG1 1EP) or The Forum Car Park (SG1 1ES) during this closure. Blue badge provision is available within both, and parking is re-provided free to users of the Swimming Centre.

To keep up to date with the latest news on the project, visit: [Morgan Sindall Construction to deliver Stevenage Sports & Leisure Centre | Morgan Sindall Construction](#).



A new Sports & Leisure Centre is coming in 2028
Image: FaulknerBrowns

STEVENAGE



Stevenage Heart Trails

In the spring edition of Chronicle, we shared the exciting news that Stevenage Heart Trails would soon be up and running.

You may have noticed that over the past few weeks, signage for artworks along the trails has started to appear. The signs, which provide directions along the trail and share information about the artwork, help to navigate the 27 miles of traffic-free cycleways along which historic and new art is located.

The trails have been funded using Towns Fund money through the Stevenage Development Board. Further information can be found at [Heart Trails - Stevenage Even Better](#)



The new signage will point the way to artworks along our 27 miles of traffic-free cycleways.

Building homes for Stevenage's future

For more than a century, council housing has played an important role in providing secure, affordable homes for people who need them.

Delivering a mix of good-quality homes, including apartments and independent living accommodation, remains a key priority in Stevenage. We want to ensure older residents receive the care they need, moving from larger council homes to independent living schemes. This helps to free up family-sized homes for those in need of council accommodation.

What's being built

Ellis Avenue and Burwell Road will provide a mix of one- and two-bedroom apartments, all for council rent.

The new developments will increase the homes available for council-rent in Stevenage. They join a number of other sites already under construction, including The Oval, which began earlier this year, and other schemes progressing through the council's wider build programme.



Ellis Avenue

Preparation works at Ellis Avenue have already been completed, including the safe and efficient demolition of the previous properties. Construction is now underway, and the build has progressed above ground level, marking a significant step forward in the delivery of the planned new homes.



Burwell Road (Phase 2)

This scheme began with the demolition of a pair of semi-detached houses in a poor state of repair to make way for the Burwell Phase 2 development. It includes the construction of 20 one and two-bedroom homes, as well as associated parking. The build has now advanced up to second-level brickwork.

Council housing for the future

As Stevenage grows, the council is working to provide a range of homes that meet different needs - from apartments for individuals and couples to independent living accommodation for residents who require additional support. The central aim is to ensure that, wherever possible, the most vulnerable people in our community have a place to call home and can access the support they need to live safe, happy and independent lives.



8,000+ COUNCIL-MANAGED HOMES

Stevenage Borough Council already manages more than 8,000 council homes



NEW HOMES PLANNED

Five builds currently on site



MAINTAINING EXISTING HOMES

More than 20,000 repairs were completed across our council homes in 2025/26

STEVENAGE Museum

Events and displays

A range of exciting events and displays for all ages are lined up for the summer at Stevenage Museum, with the key focus on the 50th anniversary of Stevenage FC, and the 80th anniversary of the town itself.

Stevenage FC and mascot Boro Bear turn 50 this year and visitors can enjoy a nostalgic look back



at how the club developed and grew, in a new display running from 4 July to 31 October. The display will feature shirts, memorabilia and more from the leading figures and players from the club's history.

To celebrate the town's 80th anniversary, a series of guided walks are running until November, taking in key aspects of Stevenage's history as a new town. All the walks are free and require no booking - just turn up. The walks are guided by local historian Simon Speller, and run at 10am-12pm on the following dates and themes:

Stevenage's history - guided walks

Wednesday 9 September: Hertford Road, Old and New (Bragbury End)
Meet at the Chequers pub, Bragbury End, Stevenage SG2 8TH 10am

Tuesday 13 October: Woodfield and Forster's Country.
Meet at the Marquis of Granby pub, 4-6 North Rd, Stevenage SG1 4BS 10am

Monday 9 November: The fight for the first Pedestrian Shopping Centre and mid-20th century modernism
Meet at Junction 7 Creatives, 17 Town Square, Stevenage SG1 1BP 10am

Each walk will also have a break for a drink.

Introducing Friday lates @ the Museum

Decoupage (paper crafting) with Annie from Birdcages and Butterflies on **24 July, 6pm-8.30pm.** Tickets cost £15.

School summer holidays

The summer holidays are always busy with weekday activities when the museum is open (Wednesday to Friday) from **5-26**

August. Scan the Ticket Source QR code to find out more and book. Or visit: <https://www.ticketsource.com/whats-on/stevenage/stevenage-museum>



Railway Day

Saturday 1 August, 11am-4pm. Free.

Come and see an amazing array of enthusiast model railway layouts from local clubs.

The museum also has a quiet hour from 10-11am, with no flashing lights, loud noises or crowds, creating a calmer experience for those who prefer a quieter environment.



VISIT THE MUSEUM:

St George's Way, SG1 1XX
(beneath St Andrew and St George's Church)

Contact the museum:

Tel: 01438 218881 Email: museum@stevenage.gov.uk

Visit www.stevenage.gov.uk/stevenage-museum

Tickets: <https://www.ticketsource.com/whats-on/stevenage/stevenage-museum>
Stevenage Museum is open Wednesday to Friday 10am to 4.30pm, and Saturday 10am to 5pm.

Stevenage 80: Celebrating our community



This year, Stevenage will mark the major milestone of 80 years since it was designated as the UK's first New Town.

From the ambition of the early New Town pioneers to the communities, businesses, schools, volunteers, artists, sports clubs and local groups that shape the town today, the anniversary is a chance to celebrate everything that makes Stevenage special.

The theme is “Celebrating Our Community”, which means Stevenage 80 is not just about looking back, but about recognising the people and places that make the town what it is now, and looking ahead to the future we want to build together.

Stevenage Borough Council is developing a programme of events and activities for 2026, but we want the anniversary to belong to the whole town. So, we would love to hear from residents, community groups, schools, faith groups, clubs, local organisations, and businesses about how they would like to mark the occasion.

You may already be planning a community event, exhibition, walk, talk, performance, sports activity, street celebration or other local project, or you may simply have

an idea and want to talk it through. Either way, we would be very pleased to hear from you.

Funding may be available through local community budgets to support events and activities within wards, and we are keen to work with residents and community groups to help bring ideas to life.

Event organisers will also be able to use the Stevenage 80 logo, to show that their activity is part of the wider anniversary programme. We will also be creating a Stevenage 80 Celebration list, so that residents can see what is happening across the town throughout the year.



Whether your idea is big or small, traditional or new, we want Stevenage 80 to reflect the full range of people, places, and stories that make up our town.



Further information about Stevenage 80, including how to get involved, is available at:

www.stevenage.gov.uk/town-and-community/stevenage-80

Residents, community groups, and local organisations can also contact events@stevenage.gov.uk to share an idea, discuss a possible event, or find out how their community can be part of the celebrations.

Stevenage 80 is an opportunity to celebrate our town, our history and our community. We look forward to hearing how you would like to be part of it.

St Nicholas awarded £20 million Pride in Place funding



We have previously shared that the St. Nicholas area of Stevenage has been awarded £20 million through the government's Pride in Place programme.

Stevenage Borough Council will work with the local community and Stevenage MP, Kevin Bonavia, to establish a St. Nicholas Neighbourhood Board, which will lead the work and put residents at the heart of shaping how the funding is used.

This funding will be made available over the next ten years, supporting long-term investment in the area. It can be allocated to local projects, with a view to rebuilding local pride in the area and shaping the future of the community.

This summer, we'll be recruiting a group of people from St. Nicholas to form a neighbourhood board and identify key areas and priorities put forward by residents. We will also be leading a number of face-to-face community engagement events in the neighbourhood to get an understanding of what local people want to see, and to hear about things that will make a difference to their lives and the community.

WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF PRIDE IN PLACE?

Pride in Place is a government funding scheme administered by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG). It has three main aims to support the communities that have received funding:

- **To build stronger communities:** Bringing people together to build community unity and resilience, and helping people to feel proud of their area, and safe in their neighbourhood.
- **To create thriving places:** Creating vibrant neighbourhoods and communities with a good range of local facilities, and high-quality physical infrastructure.
- **To empower people to take back control:** Ensuring everybody feels empowered and in control of their lives and has a say over the future of their community.

Pride in Place is designed to support real, visible change, and the people in the ward can use it on projects to tackle anti-social behaviour, support local businesses, stage new events, improve parks and green spaces, and create opportunities for young people. The aim is that the decision on how to use the money will be in the hands of the people of St. Nicholas.

A plan will be submitted to government by the end of February 2027. This will set out the St. Nicholas Pride in Place Board's initial priorities and explain how the funding could be used over the next ten years.

If you live or work in the St. Nicholas area, please tell us your priorities for the fund in our council survey at: <https://tinyurl.com/576922nj>

You can also email the Pride in Place team at Stevenage Borough Council: stnicholas.pip@stevenage.gov.uk



Meet the Mayor of Stevenage Cllr Lloyd Briscoe



In May, Cllr Lloyd Briscoe became the new Mayor of Stevenage. Cllr Briscoe moved to the town in 1968 after his father, a professional football player, accepted a position at the then Stevenage Town FC. He has a long career in the logistics sector which has included work on air transport and road haulage. He currently works for a CCTV business in Stevenage and is one of the ward councillors for Martins Wood.

Why did you want to become the Mayor of Stevenage?

I first became a councillor in 2014, and I've always held the position of Mayor in high esteem. The Mayor is the first citizen of the town, and it is an honour and privilege to hold this position. I have always wanted to be Mayor in my career as a Stevenage councillor, so it was fantastic to accept the position, especially as we mark the 80th anniversary of Stevenage as a new town. We've got plenty to be proud of here.



Mayor of Stevenage at a parkrun event.

As we mark the 80th anniversary of Stevenage this year, how much does the history of the town mean to you?

well as one that looks to the future; the theme is "Preserve the past – Protect the future."

Whilst we are indeed a new town, we're also an older place with roots that go back centuries. I've done a lot of research on Stevenage at the British Library which holds newspapers on the town going back to the 1880s. My main passion is the history of football in the town, and I'm club historian for Stevenage FC. Football was what I was focussed on in those visits to the library, but they also uncovered a lot more details besides on Stevenage in the past.

I've discovered around 25 locations across the town that have a history of football and one of my goals (!) is to establish a football history trail for Stevenage; did you know for example that the first football ground for the town was located where the Bus Interchange stands today?

I've always been fascinated by history and museums. I recently returned from a visit to Malta, which has an incredible history. My theme as Mayor this year reflects that interest as

What charities are you supporting as Mayor?

I'm supporting the Stevenage Community Trust and the Muster Point as my charities over the year. Former councillor Hilda Lawrence established the Stevenage Community Trust, and it does great work, acting as an umbrella organisation to support many and varied charities across Stevenage, so the benefit is multiplied.

Secondly, I'm supporting the Muster Point at Fairlands Valley Park. It's a new charity but has grown rapidly and now supports people across Hertfordshire. It does fantastic work supporting veterans of our armed forces with many of the challenges they may face in terms of welfare, and other problems that come with adjusting to life after service. I look forward to working with both charities in the year ahead and meeting many of the wonderful people of Stevenage who make this a great town.

Discover Stevenage past and present by bike

Cycle travel was built into Stevenage as part of the concept of the first new town - a milestone we will celebrate in 2026 on the 80th anniversary of its foundation, with Beryl e-bikes.

Eric Claxton, Chief Engineer of the Stevenage Development Corporation, believed that separating pedestrians and cyclists from motor traffic would enhance safety for all and developed the town's remarkable segregated cycleway network in response.

Construction of the cycle network started in 1950, at the same time as the primary road system and was spread across the town, eventually spanning an impressive 27 miles.

Fast forward to October 2024 and the town's focus on cycle travel took a big leap forward with the launch of the Beryl e-bike hire scheme.

Cycling offers a great opportunity to cut emissions, be active, and take advantage of the network as we work towards becoming a net zero carbon town. The 124 Beryl bikes across Stevenage offer an active, low cost, simple to use option that makes it easy to travel to your workplace, school or college, or anywhere else in the locality.

Since the Beryl hire scheme launched, an amazing 8,349 users have registered, covering 157,407 miles over 95,757 rides.

Riding a bike for leisure is a great way to explore our town's heritage too, and has been made easier through the new Heart Trails that are currently being delivered by the council.

The trails guide you through the town centre and surrounding neighbourhoods showcasing a wide range of public art and heritage sites created over the last 80 years. Along the routes, new interpretation boards and guiding

signage highlight everything from well-known landmarks and art pieces to brand-new artworks and hidden gems. The trails connect neighbourhoods, parks and open spaces, making it simple to discover new places, learn about local history, and see the work of Eric Claxton in practice.

If you'd like to try other local guided rides or regain confidence in the saddle, Stevenage Cycling Hub has a range of activities for all ages and abilities. On 25 July, the Hub is taking part in Cycling UK's Big Bike Revival - an event for all the family. To find out more about the event as well as other rides and more, visit: <https://stevenagecyclinghub.co.uk>

To learn more about the Stevenage Heart Trails, visit: <https://stevenage-even-better.com/heart-trails/>



Great start to food waste recycling in Stevenage



Thank you to everyone who has supported Stevenage's new food waste recycling service since it launched earlier this year.

In the first full month of food waste collections, residents recycled an impressive 170 tonnes of food waste from their homes – roughly the same weight as a fully grown blue whale!

The new service means every household now has a small kitchen caddy for collecting food waste indoors, which should be emptied into your new outdoor green food waste bin. Residents living in flats can use their kitchen caddy and empty it into the communal food waste bins provided. The bins are emptied weekly. As part of the new arrangement, food waste can no longer be placed in the brown bins, which are now for garden waste only.

You can line your kitchen caddy with a range of things which will be removed at the anaerobic digestion facility before the food waste is recycled:

- Compostable caddy liners (available from most supermarkets or online)
- Old bread bags, fruit/vegetable bags or similar
- Plastic bags or carrier bags
- Newspaper or paper bags

Recycling food waste brings real environmental benefits, helping to tackle climate change by reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and generating renewable energy.

Once collected, food waste is taken to an anaerobic digestion facility, where it is transformed into renewable electricity and nutrient-rich fertiliser for agriculture. A full food waste caddy can generate enough energy to power an LED lightbulb for 24 hours or boil a kettle three times.



Every scrap of food recycled helps make a difference, and by using the food waste recycling service, residents are helping to reduce waste, support renewable energy production and ensure that valuable resources are put to good use.

For more about what you can put into your food waste caddies and answers to more frequently asked questions, please visit:

<https://www.stevenage.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/food-waste-collection-march-2026>



All aboard for Nala!

For years, commuters rushing through Stevenage train station were greeted by a rather special volunteer member of staff.

Nala, a quietly confident tabby cat, made the station her second home, weaving between passengers, keeping a watchful eye on the ticket barriers, and offering a moment of calm in the bustle of the morning rush.

She had a particular fondness for the ticket barriers, where she would often be perched, watching the world go by. Staff and passengers alike looked forward to seeing her, and for many regular commuters, seeing Nala became as much a part of their journey as the train itself.

Now, the community she charmed has secured her a lasting tribute. A proposal for a permanent bronze statue in her honour was submitted to our planning team, and the response was record breaking. More than 300 messages of support were sent in - the highest number Stevenage Borough Council has ever received for a planning application. A remarkable show of love for one very special cat.

We're delighted to confirm that planning permission has now been approved.



The project is being funded through a GoFundMe set up on behalf of Nala's owners, who wanted to give the community a chance to be part of something lasting. The response went far beyond Stevenage, with donations coming in from as far away as America.

Visitors and residents will soon be able to find Nala right where she always was, settled on a station ticket barrier, surveying the world with the serene authority only a cat truly possesses.

Public art has the power to hold memory, and Nala's statue will now join a growing collection of works that tell the story of Stevenage and its people.

We'll share more details on our socials as the statue takes shape. In the meantime, we hope Stevenage will agree that Nala more than earned her place in bronze.

Garages available to rent - create more space

Looking to create more space at home or get your car off the street? Renting a garage could be the simple, flexible solution you've been searching for.

Garages offer safe, secure lock-ups that can solve a range of everyday challenges. There are a number available to rent across Stevenage, and you might even find one just a short walk from your front door:

Extra storage

Many homes could benefit from a little extra breathing room. A garage is an ideal place to store seasonal items, or anything you don't need every day. Our garages are often more cost-effective than commercial storage units and, being closer to home, make accessing your belongings quick and easy.

Off-street parking

With many households owning multiple vehicles, on-street parking in Stevenage can be challenging. Even with just one car, finding a convenient space isn't always guaranteed. Renting a garage gives you your own dedicated parking spot and peace of mind. Newer garage builds are particularly well-suited to modern or larger vehicles, so keep an eye out for new listings.

Space for hobbies

If your hobby has outgrown the dining table, a garage can provide the perfect dedicated workspace. Whether it is arts, crafts, DIY projects or somewhere safe to store equipment and finished pieces, a garage can keep your hobby away from busy household foot traffic.



Everyday convenience

All of our garage blocks are located within residential areas, meaning there's one close to your home. In some cases, your garage could be just a few steps away, making it easy to grab items or park your car, even on the laziest of days.

Added privacy

Keeping your vehicle and personal belongings out of public view offers reassurance and security. A private garage gives you confidence that your valuables are stored discreetly and safely. Storing your vehicle in a garage can even lead to a lower car insurance premium.

Garages in Stevenage are available to rent from £13.07 per week. To apply or to learn more, visit

www.stevenage.gov.uk/garages

SUMMER STORAGE

Do you need somewhere to store your summer furniture?

We have garages available across Stevenage for you to lock up your belongings (and car).



Find out more and sign up to our digital bidding system here: www.stevenage.gov.uk/garages

Councillors and ward surgeries

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10th September 2026 19.00- 20.00 St. Hugh &

St. John's Church, Mobbsbury Way, SG2 0HL

8th October 2026 19.00 - 20.00 Chells Manor

Community Centre, 12 Emperor's Gate, SG2 7QX

12th November 2026 19.00 - 20.00 St Hugh &

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31st October 2026 12.00-13.00

28th November 2026 12.00-13.00

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15th August 2026 11.00 - 12.00

19th September 2026 11.00 - 12.00

17th October 2026 11.00 - 12.00

21st November 2026 11.00 - 12.00

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5th September 2026 10.00 – 11.00

3rd October 2026 10.00 – 11.00

7th November 2026 10.00 – 11.00

5th December 2026 10.00 – 11.00

The Scarborough Centre, next to 9 Scarborough Avenue, SG1 2HJ

And

13 August 2026 10.00 – 11.00

10 September 2026 10.00 – 11.00

8 October 2026 10.00 – 11.00

12 November 2026 10.00 – 11.00

10 December 2026 10.00 – 11.00

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7 November 2026 10.00 – 11.00

5 December 2026 10.00 – 11.00

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10 December 2026 10.00 – 11.00

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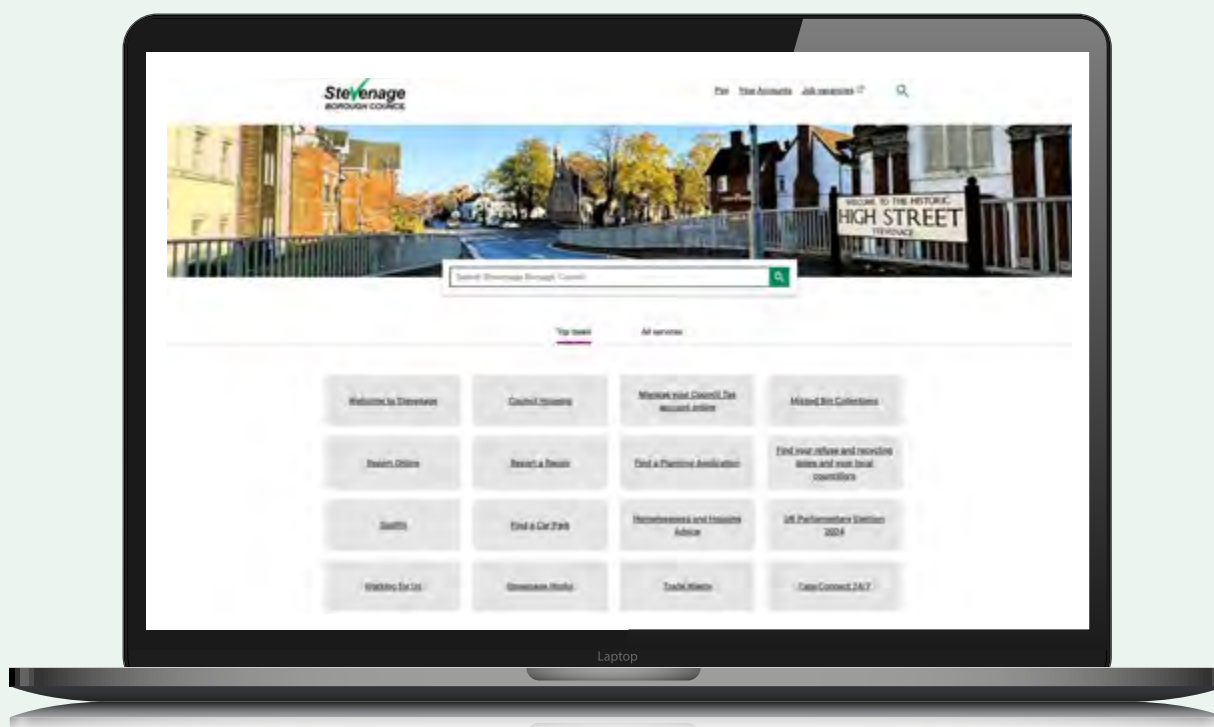
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