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Boston College to receive £182,976 equipment funding



Boston College will receive funding towards the equipment needed to facilitate the new Digital, Transport and Logistics Academy (the DTLA). The DTLA will provide courses which focus on developing port and transport skills, highlighting the importance of digital technology solutions for the sector, such as transport and plant machinery maintenance, operations, fork lift truck driving, stevedoring, leadership and management.

Boston College has identified the essential equipment required and this will accelerate the support for skills and employment not just for our young people but also adult learners, many who may need to retrain as a consequence of the impact of Covid19 on the employment market. The acquisition of the equipment and services would enable the full completion of the DTLA.

Boston Borough Council applied to gain accelerated funding from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government earlier in the year, this is to be used to support capital projects that will drive jobs growth, create further investment and the ability to look to build a stronger and more resilient economy for all our communities has been

accepted. One of the projects to gain from this funding is the equipment for the DTLA.

Principal and Chief Executive at Boston College, Claire Foster said: "I am excited to be leading an organisation that is fully committed to supporting the life chances of young people, enabling them to reach their full potential, particularly during and after such challenging times. The investment we are making in our College with the new buildings, such as the DTLA and our strong links with employers will support the recovery of the local economy following Covid. It is reassuring to know the Government see the huge importance in investing in young people and jobs, to ensure they have the right skills and employment to protect all our futures."

Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Economic Development, Nigel Welton, said: "We are overwhelmed to be able to help support a project such as this knowing that many learners will be able to benefit not just young people but people of all ages. And the opportunity it gives our town by providing significant social and economic benefits for Boston and the surrounding areas."

A taste of the continent heading to Boston

On Thursday 15th October Boston Continental Street Market will open on Bargate Green hosting around 25 traders selling the best of the continent's gastronomic delights and craft items. The food on offer will range from cakes and pastries for those with a sweet tooth, flavoured cheeses and olives for those who prefer savoury treats, as well as a host of hot food offerings such as Greek Gyros, Spanish Paella, Pad Thai and Bratwurst. Follow the event Facebook page for updates and more details: <https://fb.me/e/1FcJkCTwE>



Party in the Park - Early bird tickets

Only one day left for extended EARLY BIRD TICKETS
Closes 14th October 2020 - £5 per adult; 16yrs & under free, must be accompanied by an adult. Live Music throughout the day headlined by Audio Tap, various food on offer and a gin bar open from 1pm - 10pm on Saturday 24 July 2021. For more information and to book your tickets at the Early Bird rate please visit: <https://www.visitbostonuk.com/event/party-in-the-park-2/>

Central Park Community Garden

Work on the Community Garden in Central Park began on Tuesday 6 October, it will incorporate a beautiful mosaic design on the buoy which sits in the centre of the garden. The work will be carried out by Transported Art with assistance from garden designer Jeni Cairns and artist Carrie Reichardt. Once the groundwork is completed the community will be invited through RVS, Boston Big Local and Boston in Bloom to take part in community planting sessions on the site led by Jeni. Read more here <https://bit.ly/34Qn7EO>



Improvements to A1138 near Boston docks

Works to replace the worn out carriageway and rebuild footways on the A1138 in Boston, between John Adams Way and the docks, started on Monday 12 October. The total programme of works is expected to last for eight weeks (subject to suitable weather). Read more here <https://bit.ly/30WQ00k>

New Test and Trace Support Payment to help people affected by COVID-19

People who have tested positive for COVID-19 and have to self-isolate and are on low incomes who cannot work from home can now access a support payment of £500. Read more here <https://bit.ly/3djpX96>



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