

## County Council News from Dr Marie Strong – May 2015

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### **Local Producers:**

Here is a chance for local producers to showcase their products on the Norfolk Coast Partnership website. The Partnership will be familiar to many as the organisation whose motto is 'Protecting an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty'. I am told that as long as you are a 'genuine' local producer you just need to contact either [aonb@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:aonb@norfolk.gov.uk) or [steve.tutt@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:steve.tutt@norfolk.gov.uk) and provide some basic details. If you are interested please look at the website and you can see what details are required - . (<http://www.norfolkcoastaonb.org.uk/pages/pspage.php?PageID=1014>).

### **Norfolk Trails Photographic Competition:**

Norfolk County Council is launching another Norfolk Trails photo competition – from 28 April - 1 November - with prizes for the first, second and third winners and an under 16s winner. All winners will receive their image as a canvas print. Photos can be entered by emailing them to [norfolktrailscomp@gmail.com](mailto:norfolktrailscomp@gmail.com) or uploading them to Flickr at <https://www.flickr.com/groups/atrailforallseasons/>. For under 16s entries there is a special email address [U16trailscomp@gmail.com](mailto:U16trailscomp@gmail.com). More details about the competition including full terms and conditions can be found at [www.norfolk.gov.uk/trailsphotocomp](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/trailsphotocomp). We have so many, many beautiful scenes in our division and I am sure these will feature in the competition.

### **Park and Ride:**

For travellers it will be good news that a new park and ride contract, which will bring brand new buses and better passenger facilities for bus travellers visiting Norwich, has been signed by Norfolk County Council and Konectbus. From September 2015 Norfolk-based Konectbus will run all six Park and Ride bus services on behalf of Norfolk County Council, The change will mean a re-launch of Norwich Park & Ride with a new look and a range of improvements 'designed to confirm its place as a flagship public transport service that underpins Norwich's vibrant economy'. Two very practical points to note the overall the overall costs of running the services will save the council £0.5m each year of the contract. And toilets at Park and Ride stations are being re-opened.