Next weekend is Coventry’s moment to shine when the Olympic Flame arrives in the city and the build up to London 2012 hits fever pitch.

On Sunday 1 July, after the end of the Godiva Festival at 4.30pm, a special event, in War Memorial Park, will welcome the London 2012 Olympic Torch Relay to Coventry. Enjoy entertainment from local theatre company Talking Birds as well as music from Morning Parade and dance from Freeman Dance Gangsters. At around 6.50pm the Olympic Flame arrives in the park and the cauldron is lit.

The following morning from 6.30am watch the Olympic Torch Relay depart from Millennium Place and tour the city centre before it leaves Coventry on its way to Leicester.

Leader of Coventry City Council, Cllr John Mutton said: “I am so excited and proud that Coventry is a co-Host City for London 2012. The Olympic Torch Relay will be the climax of a fantastic weekend of entertainment at the Godiva Festival. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity so let’s line the streets and give the London 2012 Torch Relay a really big Coventry welcome.”

Inside this special Torch Relay guide you will find all the information you need to welcome the Olympic Flame to Coventry. And remember both events are free and no ticket is required so come and enjoy Coventry’s moment to shine!

The torchbearers have all been chosen for their special achievements whether in sport, overcoming illness or contributions to charity, all inspirational in their own right. Each torchbearer will carry the Olympic Flame for around 300m before passing it on the next torchbearer at a ‘kissing point’. Last month 19 local torchbearers celebrated at a reception with council leader, Cllr John Mutton (centre) and Olympian David Moorcroft (left).

Made in Coventry

Did you know the Olympic Torch, has been made in Coventry by local manufacturing firm, The Premier Group? The torch’s triangular, gold coloured form is perforated by 8000 circles representing the 8000 torchbearers and their stories of personal achievement or contribution to their local communities.

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Sunday 1 July
Where to watch the London 2012 Olympic Torch Relay Arriving in Coventry and celebration event

Be part of London 2012 and join the celebrations as the Olympic Torch is carried into Coventry on Sunday 1 July and departs from the city on Monday 2 July. Line the streets as the Torchbearers carry the Flame to the War Memorial Park followed by a special celebration event in the Park on Sunday 1 July.

Monday 2 July you can join the route where the torch sets off on Day 45 from Millennium Place and departs the city along Binley Road and onto Brandon Road. Please see route details by visiting www.london2012.com/torch-relay

Day 44
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Tickets on sale now. www.tickets.london2012.com

Day 45
Where to watch the London 2012 Olympic Torch Relay Departing from Coventry

The Torch Relay arrives in Coventry at approximately 6.10pm
(Entertainment in the War Memorial Park from 4pm)
Location: Kenpas Highway (A45) at junction with Woodside Avenue North.
First Torchbearer enters the city along Kenpas Highway and left into Leamington Road.
The Torch is carried along Leamington Road to the Junction of Warwick Road and Kenilworth Road.
Left into Kenilworth Road and turning into the War Memorial Park after passing Earlson Avenue South.
Torchbearer arrives at the main stage in the War Memorial Park at approximately 6.50pm.

Cheering on the Olympic Flame
Sunday 1 July
The route indicates the direction where the Torchbearers will start and finish.
Please plan your journey to allow plenty of time for you to get to and from the event.
There will be plenty of vantage points along the arrival route.
Arrival time in Coventry is approximately 6.10pm.
Additional car parking is available at the Virgin Trains car park on Warwick Road.

The Torch Relay departs from Coventry at approximately 7am
(Entertainment from 6.30am)
Location: Millennium Place, at the top of the spiral ramp.
First Torchbearer departs the city starting at Millennium Place and turning into Fairfax Street and right into Priory Street.
Along Priory Street then right up Cathedral steps and under arches and along Trinity Churchyard.
Turn left into Broadgate.
Turn onto High Street and along Earl Street and Sky Blue Way (A4600) Continue onto Binley Road (A428).
Torchbearer carries the Torch along Binley Road onto Brandon Road and finishes at the second roundabout on Brandon Road/Herald Way at approximately 8am.

A special send off!!
Monday 2 July
The route indicates the direction where the Torchbearers will start and finish.
Please plan your journey to allow plenty of time to get to and from the event. There will be plenty of vantage points along the departure route.
Departure time from Coventry (Millennium Place) is approximately 7am.

Search for Coventry-2012 Games:
Coventry City Council, Council House,
Earl Street, Coventry, CV1 5RR
e-mail: 2012gamesenquiries@coventry.gov.uk
www.coventry.gov.uk/london2012

Remember:
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• If it is a warm day make sure you have water with you

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London 2012 Olympic Torch Relay Celebration Stage
Hosted by Blue Peter’s Andy Akinwolere

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Please take care when leaving the park and be aware of traffic and other park users.

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