



Crowthorne

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS



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SUMMER 2019

NEW COUNCILLORS

Two new Councillors were welcomed to the Parish Council following the local elections on 3 May 2019: Cllr Nicholas Robertson and Cllr Clifton Thompson. The Parish Council said goodbye and thanked outgoing Councillor, Jim Finnie for his 44 years of service on the Parish Council and outgoing Councillor, James Kay for 1.5 years of service.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES 2019

Churches Together Crowthorne will be hosting their 12th Annual Summer Activities events on the Morgan Recreation Ground. A range of free activities will be on offer for all to enjoy. The activities will take place on Fridays from 26 July to 16 August 2019.

LITTERPICKING EQUIPMENT

CPC has received litter picking and street cleansing equipment obtained under a central government funded scheme: 50 litter pickers, 50 high viz jackets, 25 hoops, 50 pairs work gloves, 5 graffiti kits, 5 brooms/brushes, 5 rakes, 5 shovels, 5 sharps boxes for needles and broken glass.

The new litter picking equipment has already been used at the CROW Big Litter Pick with great success on Sunday 19 May. 140 members of the public, including some parish councillors, removed a vast amount of litter from the local area. The equipment has also been used by Crowthorne C of E Primary, Wildmoor Heath and Oaklands Schools on several occasions for litter picking in the community.

Contact the Parish Office if you would like to organise your own litterpick and use some of the available equipment.

SUMMER OF FUN 2019

Crowthorne Parish Council is to host its 4th Summer of Fun event on **Wednesday 21 August 2019, 11am—3pm** on the Morgan Recreation Ground.

Lots of FREE activities will be available to try out including: climbing wall, crazy golf, bungee run, reptile encounter, birds of prey, circus skills, balloon modelling, bouncy castle, Creative Junction and new for 2019 Express Your Talent Show. The BFC Children's Centre, Recycling Team and CROW are expected to be on site, as well as Thames Valley Police and the local Fire Brigade. See you there!

This year's Summer of Fun event is once again supported by grant funding of £2,000 from Legal & General, with further funds of £1,000 from Tesco and £338 from Waitrose.



BIG LOTTERY GRANT AWARD for DOOR SECURITY AND ACCESSIBILITY WORKS AT THE PARISH HALL AND MORGAN CENTRE

CPC has resolved to undertake door automation, door widening and accessibility works at both the Morgan Centre and the Parish Hall. Following this resolution, an application was submitted for a Big Lottery Fund community grant for £10,000 for financial assistance with this project. The grant has now been awarded for the maximum amount of £10,000. The contractors have begun works on the improvements.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 2019

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on 19 March 2019 at the Morgan Centre. As well as an overview of Parish Council activities over the past year, a total of £15,050 was awarded in grant funding to deserving charity organisations. The Chairman's report can be found on the Parish Council website, as well as the list of grant recipients.



Application forms for 2020 can be downloaded from the Parish Council website or obtained from the Parish Office.



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UPDATE ON THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (NP)

Neighbourhood Plans must proceed through several levels of consultation, scrutiny and ultimately a local referendum before being 'made':

- Step 1—Pre-submission consultation
- Step 2— Submission of the Neighbourhood Plan to the Local Planning Authority (LPA)
- Step 3 – Independent Examination of the Neighbourhood Plan
- Step 4 – Referendum
- Step 5 – Adoption/Making of the Neighbourhood Plan



The Crowthorne Neighbourhood Plan has undergone its Regulation 14 Pre-Submission Consultation (Step 1) to which 19 responses were received. Following review by the Working Group the revised Plan was brought for approval to Council on 2 July prior to submission to BFC, anticipated for mid-July (Step 2). BFC will check it complies with all requisite legislation, publicise it and consult on it for a further 6 weeks, following which it will be examined by an independent examiner (Step 3). Provided the examiner recommends that the draft NP can proceed, BFC will then organise a referendum, planned for March 2020 (Step 4). This will be decided on a simple majority and if passed it will become a part of the statutory development plan/Local Plan for Bracknell Forest (Step 5) and will be given weight in considering planning applications in the area from its implementation.

COMMUNITY HUB AT BUCKLER'S PARK

The Community Hub Working Group had thoroughly reviewed and commented on the planning application for the Community Hub area (19/00195/REM), which also encompasses an orchard, allotments, tennis courts, multi-use games area (MUGA) and car park, all of which are expected to be managed by CPC. Following CPC approval at the Council meeting in July, the detailed response was submitted to BFC. In principle the planning application, together with the various observations and recommendations listed in the report, would be acceptable however several issues still need to be addressed.

DONATION OF DEFIBRILLATOR by CROWTHORNE FIRE STATION

The rebuilding of the Crowthorne Fire Station is well underway. As part of the rebuild, the RBFRS defibrillator was gifted to CPC and was installed outside the public toilets at the Morgan Recreation Ground on 15 May 2019 to enable access by the wider community, Morgan Centre and Morgan Recreation Ground users. CPC is planning a CPR awareness campaign and looking into arranging a community training event.



NO DOG FOULING ON THE MORGAN RECREATION GROUND

The Parish Office has received complaints about dog fouling at the Morgan Recreation Ground. As well as raising this matter with the environment warden at BFC, a social media campaign has been undertaken to address the problem and deliver some education in the community about this dangerous and antisocial behaviour. Posters have been mounted on the railings around the recreation ground warning and reminding dog owners of the risks of fines for failing to pick up after their dog.



Please help to stamp out this anti-social behaviour.

YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS

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Cllr Mrs C G Robertson	01344 775432
Cllr N Robertson	01344 775432
Cllr S Sever	01344 776442
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Cllr R H Wade	01344 777294

Monthly surgeries are held on the first **Saturday of each month**, 11am-12pm at the Crowthorne Library, High Street.

CROWTHORNE EDUCATIONAL CHARITY

The purpose of the charity is to promote the education of persons resident in the **Parish of Crowthorne**.

Applications are welcome from any eligible resident or parent/guardian on behalf of children under 16 years. Applications are also welcome from educational establishments in Crowthorne Parish.

Application forms can be obtained from the Parish Office or downloaded from the CPC website. Each application is judged on its own merit.



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