



Crowthorne PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Council Office: Morgan Centre Wellington Rd Crowthorne RG45 7LD
Chairman: Cllr **Bob Wade** Clerk: **Melanie Saville** Telephone: **01344 771251**



WINTER 2018

CHRISTMAS TREE and HIGH STREET LIGHTS

The Christmas tree on the High Street will be in place from 26 November 2018 until 4 January 2019 in its usual place outside the Fire Station.



In addition to the usual High Street lights provided by the Crowthorne Traders, Legal & General through the Social Value Portal, have also provided Christmas lights. Both sets of lights will be installed on 15 November 2018 and taken down on 10 January 2019.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EVENT

Once again the Crowthorne Traders are holding their annual evening of festive fun on **Friday 7 December 2018 from 5-8pm.**

The High Street will come alive with festive cheer with over 25 stalls available in addition to local shops selling amazing Christmas gifts. There will be a dedicated food area, a Christmas VORTEX and an amazing LIVE Nativity scene with animals for the children.

Come and show your support for your local shops and businesses.



CROWTHORNE/WOKINGHAM WITHOUT COMMUNITY AWARDS 2018

The joint Parish Council awards evening was hosted by Wokingham Without Parish Council on Tuesday 13 November 2018 at St Sebastian's Hall. A total of 12 awards were presented (9 individual and 3 group awards), in appreciation of voluntary work done for the communities of Crowthorne and Wokingham Without. In addition, 2 appreciation awards were also given out.

Individual Awards: Colin Antink, Alan Davis, Allan Emmett, Helena Hickling, Ian Hopley, Brian and Penny Jones, Brenda Metcalf, Hazel Pickard, John Tobin.

Group Awards: HopeZone, Crowthorne Foodbank, Crowthorne Good Neighbours.

Appreciation Awards: Rev Martin Ceaser, Crowthorne Library staff.



NEW PARISH CLERK

Melanie Saville took over the role of Parish Clerk in July 2018. Melanie joins CPC from St Michael's Easthampstead Primary School where she worked as PA to the Headteacher and was also Clerk to Governors. Melanie was a governor at Crowthorne C of E School for many years and is a qualified solicitor, although not practicing at present.

RELOCATION OF PARISH COUNCIL MONTHLY MEETINGS

From Tuesday 8 January 2019 Parish Council monthly meetings will be held at the Morgan Centre, Wellington Road. Parish Council meetings are held on the 1st Tuesday of the month (except in January when the meeting is held on the 2nd Tuesday) at 7.30pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend the meetings and 15 minutes is set aside for public questions.

Past minutes of meetings are available to view on the Parish Council website.

ANNUAL GRANTS 2019

Each year Crowthorne Parish Council considers requests for grants from local organisations. For this round of grant allocations, applications must be received by the Parish Office by 14 December 2018. A Working Group is then formed to consider the submitted applications and a recommendation for grant allocations is brought to the Council meeting in February for approval. The approved grants are then handed out at the Annual Parish Meeting which will take place on 19 March 2019 at the Morgan Centre. Each applicant is invited to come and collect their cheque. Application forms can be obtained from the Parish Council website.



Visit our website www.crowthornepc.org.uk



BUCKLER'S PARK

SANG (Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace) AREA - The first phase of the SANG has been completed and the car park is open to the public. It is expected that the final areas of the SANG will be completed by the end of the year, with some exciting community events to celebrate this milestone.

HOUSEBUILDING - The first residents have been welcomed into Buckler's Park over the summer and several new homes are now occupied. Building in Phase 1 is well underway with over 100 plots at various stages of construction. Construction of the Phase 2 road and homes has begun.

COMMUNITY HUB - Planning is well underway for the Hub. It is anticipated that the hub will take 10 months to build and will be undertaken at the end of Phase 2 when 385 homes have been built, which has been brought forward from the original number of 500 homes. It is felt that providing the hub as early as possible for the first residents will be good for social cohesion on the new development. Provision is being made for a main hall, 2 meeting rooms, a children's centre, early years and childcare, youth facility, police point, office community café, kitchen, toilets and storage. The parcel of land next to the hub will include tennis courts, allotments and a multi-use area.

SUMMER OF FUN 2018

Crowthorne Parish Council hosted its 3rd Summer of Fun event on Tuesday 14 August 2018 on the Morgan Recreation Ground. The event was very generously supported with grant funding from **Legal & General Homes** and donations from many local businesses.



The family activity day included lots of FREE activities such as: climbing wall, crazy golf, bungee run, bubble football, reptile encounter, birds of prey, circus skills, balloon modelling, bouncy castle, gladiator joust and a drawing competition. To add to the excitement the Fire Brigade and Thames Valley Police were also in attendance.

GRANDMA FLEW SPITFIRES TALK

A forgotten story of courage, skill and sacrifice will be given by Richard Poad of the Maidenhead Heritage Centre on the work of the Air Transport Auxiliary on 11 December 2018, 7pm at the Parish Hall. The talk has been organised by CPC and BFC and entry is by ticket only. Entry is free but tickets must be obtained from the Parish Office.

To book tickets please email:
events@crowthornepc.org.uk



PUBLIC TOILETS ON THE MORGAN RECREATION GROUND

The newly refurbished public toilets at the Morgan Recreation Ground are now open to the public. The refurbishment was part-funded by S106 money which was successfully obtained by CPC, totalling £10,000. Opening hours are:

WC

Mon—Sat 9.00am—5.30pm
Sunday 10.00am—2.30pm



PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office will be closed over the Christmas period from Tuesday 25 December 2018 and will reopen on Wednesday 2 January 2019 at 9am.

The Councillors and Staff of Crowthorne Parish Council wish Crowthorne residents a very Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year



YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS

Cllr S Butterworth	01344 776271
Cllr J G Finnie	01344 774729
Cllr J Kay	01344 779724
Cllr N M Kilvert	01344 774714
Cllr B McKenzie-Boyle	01344 772255
Cllr Mrs C McKenzie-Boyle	07584 385580
Cllr R M Price	01344 771112
Cllr C G Robertson	01344 775432
Cllr S Sever	01344 776442
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.

VENUES FOR HIRE

Are you looking for a venue for a birthday party, concert, exercise class, exhibition, club meeting or outside event? If so take a look at the Morgan Centre and Parish Hall in Crowthorne.

Each venue has a main hall, stage and kitchen facilities and is ideal for large events such as weddings.

The Parish Hall also has two meeting rooms for smaller events. Full details are shown on the website.



Visit our website www.crowthornepc.org.uk

