



Worth Parish Council

Community-Environment-Youth-Security-Village Centres

Spring 2024 Newsletter - Copthorne Village

WORTH PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Colin Botterill, who has joined our **Grounds Maintenance Team**. Colin and Shane, our Grounds Maintenance Supervisor, will be busy in both villages. So, if you see either of them, please say hello.

Great News! We have managed to secure £164,300 of Section 106 monies from Mid Sussex District Council for the development of the **MUGA (multi-use games area) on Copthorne Rec**. Section 106 monies are put aside by developers to provide community infrastructure.

You may be aware that we applied for planning permission to carry out work at the **Copthorne Recreation Ground** to introduce the new MUGA and to rejuvenate the playground. We are currently awaiting a further arboriculture survey before planning permission can be granted. If agreed, we intend to sign an agreement with the Preferred Suppliers soon. Works to introduce a new MUGA as Phase 1 of the project will then be scheduled to start. We will let you know when dates for work are agreed. There will also be more opportunities to have your say about the MUGA, so watch out for further information on how to get involved!

West Sussex County Council (WSSCC) has advised that it is looking at **alternative options for provision of a new primary school on the Heathy Wood site**. Local demand for school places has fallen in recent years, and local consultation did not support a new school in this location. The Council is now looking at a possible Special Educational Needs facility at Heathy Wood instead. WSSCC has stated that there has been "significant capital investment" in Fairway Infant School; the Parish Council is asking for details of this investment. Should you have any comment on this, please contact schoolconsultations@westsussex.gov.uk

There is currently no progress to report on the installation of **CCTV** in the Parish whilst wayleaves and connectivity issues are being resolved. However, we hope that this will be resolved shortly and dates for installation agreed. The four proposed cameras will be monitored in the Control Room of Sussex Police. In Copthorne they will be located by the Recreation Ground and the Village Green; and in Crawley Down, by the Play Area and on the corner of Burleigh Way. [Find out more here.](#)

This initiative is to support the prevention, investigation and detection of crime, the apprehension and prosecution of offenders, the maintenance of public order and the reduction of vandalism.

Just a reminder - you can look at the **Parliamentary Constituencies for Mid Sussex** on the [Mid Sussex District Council website](#). There were recommended changes from the 2023 Boundary Review. Copthorne and Crawley Down will now fall under the East Grinstead and Uckfield constituency.

COPTHORNE COMMUNITY CLEAN UP



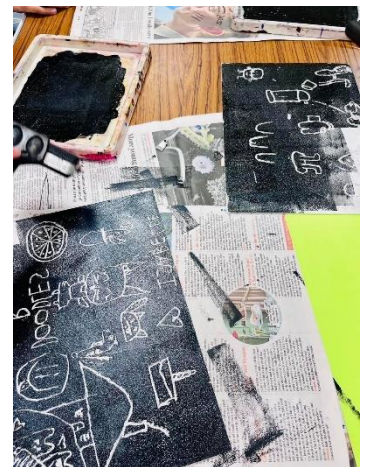
There was a great turn out for the litter pick in February and a huge amount of rubbish cleared. The team of volunteers worked around the village and The Heathy Wood estate. We would like to express our gratitude to all the volunteers and to Julie and Kara for being our Litter Pick Coordinators.

Please find below the dates for future community litter picks in Copthorne. They will all start at 9.30am at The Parish Hub in Copthorne. As usual, we will provide the litter picking equipment but if you do have your own, please bring this along. If you would like to join us or register your interest, please email enquiries@worth-pc.gov.uk

- Sunday 24 March
- Saturday 27 April
- Sunday 9 June

YOUTH CLUBS

We ran some fantastic workshops over the February half term in addition to our Youth Clubs. Drew, our Youth Support Worker, ran a successful, messy and very tasty pizza making workshop for twenty young people. And [Art Smart](#) ran an Art Workshop looking at the artists Keith Haring, John Burgerman and Mr Doodle. The children created some fantastic art work which will form the basis of our new Youth Bus logo.



You can keep up to date with everything Youth related by following us on Instagram.

Our Youth Clubs run:

- **Monday 3.30-5.30pm at The Haven Centre in Crawley Down**
- **Wednesday 4-6pm at The Pavilion in Copthorne**

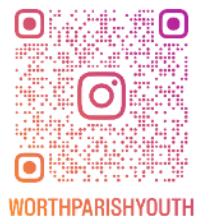
For Years 5 and up. They are completely FREE and there is no need to book!

Please note, we do have a limit on numbers at each Youth Club due to adult/child ratios. So please check there is space for your child before leaving.

You can now join our Facebook Community Groups solely dedicated to all things Youth.

[Copthorne Youth Club Community Group](#)

[The Youth Club in Crawley Down Community Group](#)



WORTHPARISHYOUTH

FORTHCOMING MEETING DATES

You can view the agendas for all forthcoming meetings and the minutes of meetings that have already been held [here on our website](#).

Monday 8 April 2024	Finance & General Purposes, followed by Planning & Highways Committee
Monday 15 April 2024	Amenities and Assets Committee
Monday 22 April 2024	Annual Parish Meeting
Monday 13 May	Finance & General Purposes, followed by Planning & Highways Committee
Monday 20 May	Annual Council Meeting

HIRE OF THE SOUTH ROOM @ THE PARISH HUB IN COPTHORNE

Our bright and spacious South Room is available to hire for a range of events such as birthday parties, meetings, or exercise classes. If you would like to make a booking please call us on 01342 713407 or [take a look at our website](#).



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USEFUL LINKS AND CONTACTS

[Anti-social Behaviour](#) Report anti-social behaviour to Sussex Police online or by calling 101. If it's an emergency or someone is in immediate danger call 999.

[Anti-social driving and abandoned vehicles](#) Report any anti-social driving or abandoned vehicles to Operation Crackdown.

[Noise Issues](#) You can report a noise issue contact the Environmental Protection Team at Mid Sussex District Council 01444 477292 or at pollution@midsussex.gov.uk

[One Network](#) Find out about roadworks in your area

[Planning](#) Visit the West Sussex County Council website to find, comment on or submit a planning application.

[Report a Problem with a Road or Pavement](#)

[Streetlights](#)

Street lighting in Worth Parish is partly the responsibility of Worth Parish Council and partly of West Sussex County Council.

Any Worth Parish Council streetlighting faults should be reported to the Council office on 01342 713407 or at enquiries@worth-pc.gov.uk. You can find a list of all Worth Parish Council owned streetlights at the link above.

[Sussex Safer Roads Partnership](#)

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