



# WORTH PARISH COUNCIL

## BUSINESS PLAN 2025-2028





## About Worth Parish Council

Within Worth Parish there are two villages – Copthorne and Crawley Down. Combined, we have a population of approximately 11,000 and are the largest parish in the Mid Sussex District.

This area is currently covered by three councils – West Sussex County Council, Mid Sussex District Council and Worth Parish Council.

Following the Local Government Review, Worth will no longer be served by West Sussex County Council and Mid Sussex District Council, but by one single Unitary Authority. Worth Parish Council will remain, although it may take on more assets and services currently offered by the other councils.

## What We do

<b>Worth Parish Council</b> <a href="http://www.worth-pc.gov.uk">www.worth-pc.gov.uk</a> 01342 713407	<b>Mid Sussex District Council</b> <a href="http://www.midsussex.gov.uk">www.midsussex.gov.uk</a> 01444 458166	<b>West Sussex County Council</b> <a href="http://www.westsussex.gov.uk">www.westsussex.gov.uk</a> 01243 777100
Allotments	Benefits	Adoption & Fostering
Car Parks Crawley Down	Bins & Litter	Births/Deaths
Copthorne Trim Trail	Council Tax	Fire Service
Copthorne Recreation Ground	District Parks	Grass Cutting
Community Grants	Environmental Health	Health
Crawley Down Playground	Housing	Highways & Footpaths
Litter Picks	Licensing	Libraries
Noticeboards	Parking Enforcement	Potholes
Rubbish Removal	Planning & Building Control	Schools/Education
Skate Park Crawley Down	Pest Control & Dogs	Social Services
South Room Hire	Voting & Elections	Streetlights
Streetlights		Young Carers
Village Greens		
Westway Playground		
Youth Support		

## What is this plan about?

This Business Plan sets out Worth Parish Council's priorities and actions for the next three years, covering the villages of **Copthorne** and **Crawley Down**. It outlines how the Council will support the community, manage local services, and respond to upcoming changes in local government.

Follow the links to view the full [Business Plan](#) and [Action Plan](#).





## **Misson Statement**

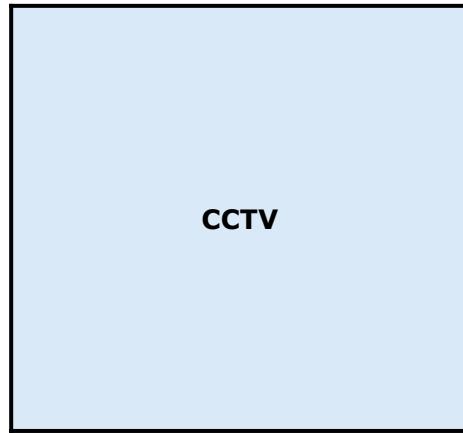
*To identify, support and provide resources for initiatives that develop and maintain the delivery of efficient and cost-effective services and amenities for our community.*

*Our priority is to ensure a true "village feel" and that Crawley Down and Copthorne are safe, attractive and enjoyable places for our existing and future residents to live.*

***Community – Environment – Youth – Security – Village Centres***

## Strategic Priorities (2025–2026)

These are the top projects we're focusing on first:



**CCTV Expansion** - improving safety across both villages

**Bowers Place Parking Solution** – addressing local parking challenges

**Copthorne Recreation Ground Rejuvenation** – installation of multi-use games area and new playground

**Crawley Down Play Area Improvements** – enhancing play spaces

## Action Plans

We're developing detailed timelines for projects in:

**Copthorne** – war memorial, improvements at Lashmere, opening up Copthorne Brook, improvements to footpaths and roads, additional sports facilities

**Crawley Down** – village centre upgrades, Worth Way pond improvements, Royal Oak solution, road improvements, comprehensive cycling routes

**Council-wide** – youth services, asset management, neighbourhood planning, street lighting, Local Government Reorganisation, civic pride & developing resources



## Next Steps

The Council will work hard to deliver the actions set out, and will be actively engaging the community through each stage to ensure it aligns with community wants and needs.

The Business Plan will be updated annually to ensure it stays current.

