## **WORTH PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE**

Everyone at Worth Parish Council would like to send our Chief Clerk Jennifer Nagy the very best of wishes for the future. Jennifer has been with WPC for around eight years now and she will be leaving at the end of September. During that time she has transformed the way the council is run, especially in terms of compliance and governance. She leaves WPC in a far better state than she found it, and for that we're eternally grateful.

Councillor Tony Dorey, Chairman of the Council, adds "it's been an absolute pleasure to have worked alongside Jennifer over the years, and it's fair to say that it won't be easy to replace her. Thanks to her commitment and dedication to the role, we realise already that hers are big shoes to fill."

## CRAWLEY DOWN VILLAGE FAYRE

Worth Parish Council wishes to thank the CDRA for another excellent village fayre. It was particularly poignant because it gave the community a chance to celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Crawley Down Scout Troop, and of course to recognise all those who have worked so hard over the years to provide such a vital facility for our young people. The fayre also gave locals the chance to meet our Parish Councillors and Youth Team at our stand, and to understand more about what we do to help the community.

## CCTV PROJECT

We have been liaising with our Preferred Supplier and Sussex Police about the installation and monitoring of CCTV in the Parish. We are now intending on installing cameras at two locations (one in Crawley Down and one in Copthorne) in the first instance. In Crawley Down, this will be on Station Road in front of the Memorial Car Park. As this is on private land, we are currently applying for a Section 50 licence, which is a legal requirement for excavating and installing apparatus on Highways land.

Once agreed, we will be able to arrange dates, and further information will be published on our website.

## **BOWERS PLACE**

We have now received the Arboricultural Impact Assessment, Method Statement and Tree Protection Plan required for our planning application for the **Bowers Place Parking Solution.** However, we have since been advised that a Biodiversity Net Gain Assessment is also required to see what impact the works will have on the area's biodiversity.

Sadly, that means a further delay whilst we obtain those reports before we can submit our planning application. This means it is unlikely that work will take place this year. However, we remain optimistic that the work will be completed at the beginning of 2025.

We will update our website with all the details once our planning application has been submitted, so if you wish to have your say you will find the planning reference number there. We will also arrange for a mailshot to be sent directly to the residents of Bowers Place and those businesses that will be most impacted by the work.

## **PLAYGROUND**

There are no new developments on the Playground at this time. We will however provide further updates as they happen on our website and social media and in future newsletters.

If you would like to follow us on social media to get the latest news as it happens, we're on Facebook @worthparishcouncil, or you can check out our website at <a href="https://www.worth-pc.gov.uk/">www.worth-pc.gov.uk/</a>

#### NOTICEBOARDS

Our mission to make our village a cheerier location continues, and part of this involves the purchase and installation of new notice boards. These are expected to be in place in the coming weeks. The boards are made of oak and retain the same hexagonal shape. They have now been delivered and we are currently liaising with the contractor in regard to a final installation date.

## **CORONATION BENCH**

The bench is scheduled to be installed in early autumn, along with planters to add colour, on the grass area beside the Royal Oak. In addition, work is planned to improve the flower beds in the Memorial Car Park

## **SPEEDWATCH**

Community Speedwatch (CSW) are currently recruiting volunteers for Crawley Down. CSW is a national initiative where, in partnership with the Police, members of communities use detection devices to monitor vehicle speeds. The volunteers report motorists exceeding the speed limit to the Police with the aim of educating those drivers to slow down.

For more information, and how to become a volunteer, please visit <a href="www.sussex.police.uk">www.sussex.police.uk</a> and search for Community Speedwatch.

#### **GRAFFITI**

The Parish Council is aware of recent graffiti incidents in both Copthorne and Crawley Down. We are continuing to monitor these and to liaise with the local police. If you see any more instances, please contact the police on 101, or visit the Sussex Police website and click on the 'Tell Us About' section.

## YOUTH CLUBS

Our Youth Clubs in both Crawley Down and Copthorne continue on a weekly basis, and there were several extra activities to enjoy during the school summer holidays. These included Play on the Green sessions in both villages, and a chance to take part in a Junior Olympics! Drew from the Youth Team also attended Play Day events run by Mid Sussex District Council in Crawley Down and Copthorne, and the Skatefest in East Grinstead.



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!

Please book your children into the club using the IPAL booking system so Drew can take registers and sign the children in and out. Please ensure your child also has a drink and any snacks provided must be nut free.

https://worthparishyouth.ipalbookings.com/

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 keep up to date with everything Youth related by following us on Instagram or Facebook.



## CRAWLEY DOWN COMMUNITY CLEAN UP

Thank you to everyone who attended the litter pick in Crawley Down on Sunday 28 July, the day after the Gig on the Green. If you would like to join us in the future, please email <a href="mailto:enquiries@worth-pc.gov.uk">enquiries@worth-pc.gov.uk</a> to register your interest.

We provide litter picking equipment, however if you have your own, please bring this along.

#### FORTHCOMING MEETING DATES

You can view future meetings and agendas for all forthcoming meetings and the minutes of meetings that have already been held on our website at <a href="https://www.worth-pc.gov.uk">www.worth-pc.gov.uk</a> and click on Council Meetings.

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If you would like to come and take a look at the room to see if it meets your needs, please email us at <a href="mailto:enquiries@worth-pc.gov.uk">enquiries@worth-pc.gov.uk</a>

You can also find out more here <a href="https://www.worth-pc.gov.uk/The South Room 42763.aspx">https://www.worth-pc.gov.uk/The South Room 42763.aspx</a>

## **Worth Parish Council Office**

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