



# Worth Parish Council

Community-Environment-Youth-Security-Village Centres

## Winter 2023 Newsletter Copthorne Village

### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

I would first like to wish a warm welcome to Hannah Smith and Gill Kearney who have both joined our team as Assistant Clerks. Hannah and Gill are already proving to be valuable members of Worth Parish Council.

As always, Councillors and Officers are busy working to bring improvements to both Copthorne and Crawley Down as part of our long-term vision to ensure a true "village feel" and that Copthorne and Crawley Down are safe, attractive and enjoyable places for our existing and future residents to live.

New planters at The War Memorial in Crawley Down are a welcome addition to help beautify the village and we have plans to introduce planters in Copthorne soon.

As I write this, our planning application to [rejuvenate Copthorne Recreation Ground](#) has been submitted to Mid Sussex District Council and we are continuing to consult with residents and local businesses. We have also applied for the Community Ownership Fund to help finance this project. We hope to bring some positive news about our funding application in the next newsletter.

Our Youth Services are going from strength to strength now we have employed Drew direct and have secured The Youth Bus. This has allowed us to run regular youth clubs in both villages as well play on the green events and an Italian Cookery Class over the October half term.

As always, we are here to listen and engage with our residents. Councillors, including myself can be contacted if you wish to discuss any local issues. You can find our details at the back of this newsletter.

**Tony Dorey**  
**Chairman**

### YOUTH CLUB UPDATE

The Wednesday evening Youth Club at The Pavilion has been going from strength to strength. Our Monday evening Youth Club has been exceptionally quiet so from November, Copthorne Youth Club will be running on Wednesday evenings only.

**Every Wednesday 4-6pm for 10-15 year olds. There is no need to book.**

We now have a [Worth Parish Youth Instagram](#) account solely for showcasing what we are doing for young children in The Parish.

You can still join the [Worth Parish Council Facebook](#) page to keep up to date with what we do, community events, community projects and information of interest to local residents and businesses.

During the October half term, Drew and his team were busy running our Youth Clubs, taking The Youth Bus to the local village greens and running an Italian Cookery Class.

At the Italian Cookery Class, 20 children made minestrone soup and tiramisu. It was a great success!



## ALLOTMENTS



Tony Dorey, Worth Parish Council Chairman presented the **Allotment Shield Awards** in October. Winners Mr and Mrs Riley and runner up Mr Rainsley were presented with the awards as well as a garden centre voucher.

We have several vacant allotment plots become available at our Crawley Down site. If you are interested in renting an allotment plot from us please contact Hannah Smith at [astclerk@worth-pc.gov.uk](mailto:astclerk@worth-pc.gov.uk) You must live in The Parish (Cophthorne and Crawley Down) in order to rent an allotment.

Next year, we will be managing a new **Allotment site at St Modwen's**. There will be approximately 20 plots. If you are interested in renting an allotment and would like to be added to our waiting list please email Hannah Smith at [astclerk@worth-pc.gov.uk](mailto:astclerk@worth-pc.gov.uk) or call the office on 01342 713407.

## REPORTING ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

We have noticed several Facebook posts reporting incidents of anti-social behaviour (ASB) and criminal activity.

Posting on Facebook is not the same as [reporting ASB to the Police](#). Such reports assist in directing patrols to concentrate on potential problem areas. If the police don't know about it, they cannot react.

Please remember, if a crime is happening now, or if you or someone else is in immediate danger ring 999.

## 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 January 2024	Finance & General Purposes, followed by Planning & Highways Committee
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Monday 22 January 2024	Full Council, followed by Amenities and Assets Committee
Monday 5 February 2024	Finance & General Purposes, followed by Planning & Highways Committee

## 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](#).



## COUNCILLOR CONTACT DETAILS

To assist compliance with data protection, any email contact regarding Council matters should be made via the email addresses listed below:

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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](mailto: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](mailto:enquiries@worth-pc.gov.uk). You can find a list of all Worth Parish Council owned streetlights at the link above.

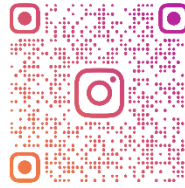
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