



COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER: MAY 2022

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UPDATE ON PAULTONS PARK ENTRANCE/EXIT IMPROVEMENTS

Last summer there was traffic congestion outside Paultons Park during peak periods on the A36, A31, and surrounding routes.

The Paultons Park Management realise the current situation is not acceptable for their neighbours and have been working on a permanent solution to significantly increase the access into the Park and reduce the problems experienced on local routes.

Towards that aim Paultons have

been in consultation with Hampshire Highways to agree a suitable traffic improvement scheme.

Representatives of Paultons came to a Parish Council meeting last year and gave a presentation on a possible roundabout scheme.

A public consultation was held at Paultons Park in March 2022 to give residents the

opportunity to view the latest plans and ask questions.

Any further updates will be circulated when finalised.



Affordable Housing - UPDATE

As mentioned in previous newsletters, English Rural Housing Association ("ERHA") are currently undertaking preparatory work which may lead to the submission of a planning application to build 10 Affordable Housing units on land to the rear of The Haywain.

The application, if submitted, would be asking the New Forest National Park Authority (as the Local Planning Authority) to consider the land in question as a "Rural Exception Site".

These units, if approved, would be available to rent at 80% of market rent by people who are registered

with New Forest District Council as having a connection with the Parish of Copythorne.

EHRA has advised that they plan to fix bat monitoring equipment at the Haywain site as part of an ecology report and also undertake soil investigation work in early May.

As and when the Parish Council receives future updates from ERHA these - as previously promised - will be shared with local residents.

In addition to ERHA's activities, the NFNPA advised us on April 13th 2022 of a planning application from a private company to build five

Affordable "build to rent" dwellings on land owned by them which is currently part of the garden of Hazelmere, Southampton Road, Cadnam, SO40 2NB.

David Rigby

Clerk/R.F.O to Copythorne Parish Council



This application (ref: 22/00190) - the details of which can be found via www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/planning/ - will be discussed at the Parish Council meeting due to be held on May 10th 2022.



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations Weekend - June 2nd to 5th 2022

The Parish Hall Committee's Queen's Platinum Jubilee Working Group has been busy organising events to mark the Platinum Jubilee of HM The Queen Elizabeth.

For more details of venues, times and costs please visit <https://www.copythorneparishhall.org.uk/jubilee-2022>



These include:-
Saturday May 28th
Royal Themed Quiz
Thursday June 2nd -
Picnic and Parade & Bonfire Beacon Lighting
Friday June 3rd
Family Barn Dance
Saturday June 4th
Family Fun Day and Adults Dance
Sunday June 5th
"Seven Glorious Decades"

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ANNUAL PARISH MEETING (MEETING OF ELECTORS) AND ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

This year, the Parish Council has decided to hold the Annual Parish Meeting (the Meeting of Electors) and the Annual Parish Council Meeting on the same evening, Tuesday May 10th 2022, in the rear extension room of the Parish Hall.

The doors will open for the Annual Parish Meeting at 6pm, with the meeting starting at 6.15pm.

It will be a simple meeting to approve

the minutes of the last Parish Meeting held in November 2021 and then receive any questions that electors of the Parish may wish to ask.

The Annual Parish Council Meeting will start at 7pm.

In addition to these meetings, residents of the parish will have the opportunity to meet members of the Parish Council at the Family Fun Day

being held as part of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations at the Parish Hall and Field between 1pm and 5pm on Saturday June 4th.

Councillors will be on hand to talk about what the role of a parish councillor involves and provide information on how to become a parish councillor (elections are due to be held in May 2023).

COPYTHORNE PARISH PLAYGROUND

The Parish Council is responsible for maintaining the playground at the Parish Hall which the Friends of Copythorne Playground worked so hard to create in 2018.

Once a week, a trained member of the Parish Council carries out a visual inspection of all elements of the playground.

These inspections are in addition to two external inspections that are carried out by a member of the Register of Play Inspectors.

Following the latest external inspection, Cllrs. Graham Chillcott, Steve Herra, Sylvia Wiggins and Jackie Rhodes along with David Rigby (Parish Clerk) and Martin Lander (one of the Friends of

Copythorne Playground) visited the playground on April 1st to undertake routine maintenance tasks.

This included checking the fixings on various elements of playground equipment; straightening the chains of the swings; cleaning the Sports Wall; and replacing the basketball hoop.



The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled to be held on **Tuesday May 10th 2022** in the Parish Hall.

Please check our website the week before to confirm the arrangements and view the agenda.

Details of individual Parish Councillors plus information on District and County Councillors may be found on the Parish Council website and on our community notice boards and information hubs. (the old red telephone boxes).

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