

# THE PARISH FLYER - 62

# Ferring Parish Council – Autumn 2021 Village News & Views from your Council

### CHAIRMAN COUNCILLOR PETER COE WRITES -

After what seems an incredibly long haul we are, at last, starting to emerge from the necessary restrictions that were placed on our lives to reduce the impacts of Covid-19. It came as no surprise that our community pulled together in so many ways to help each other and look out for the vulnerable and lonely throughout this period. As we now look forward with hope for the future and a return to some form of normal, let's build on the positives and work together as a community to consider planning for future events and improving the infrastructure for the benefit of all.

The Parish Council are finally able to return to meeting in person and, sadly the phrase, "you're on mute" will doubtless pass from our vocabulary into the annals of history. The Environment Committee, led by Councillor Clare Royal had a productive meeting with Arun District Council which has resulted in the provision of additional general waste bins on Patterson's Walk, and improved collections, significantly reducing the litter on both the Walk and Beach areas. Over the next few months, we will be looking at how we can improve engagement with the community to gauge opinion on a number of potential projects and identify other ideas and views on what improvements you want and that can be made to the village.

# Peter Coe, Chairman, Ferring Parish Council



**REMEMBRANCE DAY** – The annual act of Remembrance organised by Ferring Parish Council and our local Ferring Churches will be held on **Sunday 14**<sup>th</sup> **November 2021**. The event is subject to any Covid-19 restrictions. The Parish Family Service in St Andrew's Church will commence at 09.30 am and will end at approximately 10.30 am. The laying of Wreaths at the War Memorial in Ferring Street will take place after the service at 11.00 am and will include the Act of Remembrance. **PLEASE NOTE** - part of Sea Lane will be closed during the laying of wreaths at the War Memorial. Advance warning notices will be posted around the village.



**CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS** – Due to Covid-19, the Christmas Event 2020 was cancelled. Now that restriction have been lifted, the Parish Council propose to go forward with the Annual Light Switch-On which will be held on **Saturday 4th December 2021**. Further details will be available in the next edition of the parish flyer, on the Parish Council website, noticeboards and Facebook page.



**PARISH OFFICE** – The Parish Office remains closed to all visitors. Alternatively, the Clerk can be contacted via email at <a href="mailto:parishclerk@ferringparishcouncil.org.uk">parishclerk@ferringparishcouncil.org.uk</a> or by telephone on 01903 249449.



**PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE** – Ferring Parish Council's website has up-to-date information for public view at: https://www.ferringparishcouncil.org.uk/
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The Parish Council and Meetings pages contain information about Parish Councillors, the various Committees and the associated agendas and minutes; the Planning Applications page contains links to recent planning applications specific to Ferring. The 'I want to' page contains links mostly to Arun District Council and West Sussex Council pages for residents to report various issues within the village.



**COMPASS BUS/LOWER FERRING PARKING** – **TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER UPDATE (TRO)** – The consultation period finished on the 22<sup>nd</sup> July and there were 4 objections and 12 messages supporting the proposals. As there were fewer than 6 objections these responses can be reported to the Head of Highways for a decision, which, hopefully, will be quicker than having to go back to the local members with the report. Further updates will be available on Parish Council website, noticeboards and Facebook page.



**RIFE WAY REFUGE** – WSCC has effectively abandoned the project due to costs of moving cables (£70k) twice the cost of installing the refuge island (£35k) increasing the total to £105k and therefore is considered too much for this type of feature and money would be more effectively used elsewhere. They have reviewed and challenged these estimates and looked at other ways of installing the refuge. However, it is essential for the electrical cables and apparatus to be relocated to install the refuge so despite these efforts the scheme will need to be set aside.



**MAINTENANCE WORKS WITHIN THE VILLAGE** – Due to being rotten, there are two fence panels on the north side of Warren Pond that are in need of replacing. The work also requires removal of barbed wire from panels, removal of a tree stump and overhanging branches and disposal of waste. The Parish Council's Maintenance Contractor and a Tree Surgeon will carry out these essential works on the Parish Council's behalf. The annual pond clearance will be scheduled for later in the year.



**LITTER ON THE BEACH** – In response to a request from the Parish Council earlier this year, Arun District Council installed additional litter bins along the beach greensward and introduced additional refuge collections resulting in a reduction of the amount of litter and has been a great success in keeping our beach clean.



RAMPION 2 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION – There is a proposed expansion of the existing Rampion Offshore Wind Farm, located in the English Channel off the Sussex coast. The Infrastructure being proposed as part of the development includes: Up to 116 wind turbines, up to three offshore substations and an export cable search area to bring the power to shore at Climping Beach. Further information can be found on the Parish Council Website https://www.ferringparishcouncil.org.uk/

The community consultation for Rampion 2 will take place over a 9-week time period between 14<sup>th</sup> July and 16th September 2021.



**FOXES NUISANCE** – There has been reports of a significant increase in foxes within the village which is causing a nuisance and concern to many residents. The following advice is to help keep foxes away: Do not leave potential food sources, such as food for other wildlife that may encourage foxes. Similarly, do not leave bagged rubbish or garden clippings outside, keep it in closed bins. Wheelie bins are the most fox proof. Foxes like to shelter under sheds, and can squeeze under gaps that are 10cm (4inches) high. Filling all gaps underneath out-buildings will help.

For further information about foxes, visit The Fox Project on the Arun District Council website.



**PLATINUM JUBILEE (70TH) ANNIVERSARY OF THE CORONATION OF THE QUEEN** – The Parish Council are looking to co-ordinate an event to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee on the Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2022. Further details will be available in the next edition of the parish flyer, on the Parish Council website, noticeboards and Facebook page.



**DOG NUISANCE** – One of the most frequent complaints that the Parish Council receives is the increasing problem with dog fouling within various locations of the village. There are numerous dog bins located around the village. Please 'pick up' and dispose in the correct bins provided. The Parish Council liaises with the local authority with regards to this matter and Arun District Council has advised that they will try and accommodate some extra patrols in the area.



## **BE A GOOD NEIGHBOUR -**

- Hedges fronting the roadway should be cut back to allow pedestrian access along footpaths.
- Household rubbish to be kept in a suitable bin and not plastic bags.



**LOVE WEST SUSSEX MOBILE APP** – This is a West Sussex County Council (WSCC) Mobile Application. Residents can report environmental issues such as highways matters including potholes, damage to street furniture or fly-tipping through their mobile phones; WSCC will manage and respond using their integrated services. These matters can also be reported on the WSCC website.



**WELCOME TO NEW COUNCILLORS** – Ferring Parish Council are pleased to welcome two new coopted Councillors Lesley Young & Mark Stacey who we are sure will become valuable members of the Parish Council Team.

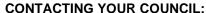


**COUNCILLORS NEEDED** – Whilst the Parish Council is pleased with the addition of the new Councillors, we are still looking for more councillors to meet our full quota. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Clerk for a confidential conversation and more details: parishclerk@ferringparishcouncil.org.uk



#### AND FINALLY:

**Future Full Council Meeting** – resuming to in-person meetings on 6<sup>th</sup> September, 18<sup>th</sup> October & 6<sup>th</sup> December in the Village Hall.



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