

# **THE PARISH FLYER - 64**

# Ferring Parish Council – Spring 2022 Village News & Views from your Council

#### CHAIRMAN COUNCILLOR PETER COE WRITES -

It's that time of the year again when the annual Council Tax notification will be dropping through our letterboxes. One part of this charge is made up of a local precept set by Ferring Parish Council and collected on our behalf by Arun District Council.

The Parish Council sets its precept in January each year for the upcoming financial year. The precept provides the major portion of the councils income for the year and enables us to maintain and enhance the village environment and provides for the day to day running costs of the Parish Council.

At the Parish Council Meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup> January 2022, we were able, for the second year in a row, to agree to maintain the precept at current the level of £93,184. Whilst this is a zero-percentage increase, as calculated by Arun District Council, adjusted for an overall increase in the Tax Base figure (the current registered number of contributing dwellings), this will reduce the Band D Council Tax contribution for 2022 – 2023 from £36.68 to £36.60, a net reduction of 8p.

The changes to other charges that make up the total Council Tax bill will be publicised by Arun and West Sussex Councils in due course.

Peter Coe, Chairman, Ferring Parish Council



THE FERRING PARISH COUNCIL CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS AND LIGHT 'SWITCH ON' – Ferring Christmas light 'switch on' was held on 4th December 2021.

We must give thanks to Reverend Gary Ingram & Robin Brenchley, the Salvation Army Band and our local Terry Clough Choir for the wonderful singing, the 1st Ferring Guides for distributing programmes and turning on the Christmas lights and all of the Fayre stall holders. Also, we would like to thank the residents that braved the chilly weather to attend the event. Finally, thank you to the Parish Office & Parish Councillors for organising and for giving their time to help at the event. Unfortunately, over the Christmas period there was an unknown fault with the lights which was repaired temporarily, but that repair did not last and the lights had to be switched off earlier than we would have liked. The fault has now been permanently repaired.



**GLEBELANDS RECREATION GROUND – POTENTIAL CAR PARK.** In the previous edition of the Parish Flyer, we asked for residents to comment on a proposal for a car park on the Glebelands recreational ground. We would like to thank the residents that took the time to comment and to advise that the feedback is currently being evaluated and we will keep you informed.



COMPASS BUS/LOWER FERRING PARKING – TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER UPDATE (TRO)

As previously reported, the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) in response to residents and the Compass Bus issues regarding parking in the West/South/Ocean Drive areas is now in situ and the yellow lines have been painted and associated signage has been erected. Arun District Council are responsible for enforcement and can be contacted at <a href="mailto:car.parks@arun.gov.uk">car.parks@arun.gov.uk</a> or by phone at 01903 737655



**FERRING VILLAGE – QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE PLANS 2022** Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June through to the Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

The Parish Council is working with other village organisations to co-ordinate and help publicise the Queen's Platinum Jubilee plans 2022 event.

The lighting of a Jubilee beacon on Ferring Beach is just one of the highlights of a whole host of events being planned for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June. But there is so much more. Further information can be found on the 'Ferring Village – Queens Platinum Jubilee facebook page and in All About Ferring over the coming months.

Save the dates and be part of history and let's see the whole of Ferring come together for what is going to be an amazing few days in June. This really is a once in a lifetime community event and there will be something for everyone, young and old.



**PARISH OFFICE** – As the majority of the Coronavirus restrictions have been lifted, the Parish Office is now open to all visitors Monday – Thursday, 9.30am - Midday. 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/

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.



**FERRING PARISH COUNCIL FACEBOOK PAGE** - As part of a programme of improvement to the way in which the Parish Council communicate with the community, we have a Facebook Page. It is intended to be used to promote the Parish Council's activities and as a message board to inform the village of events, planned road works and general information, and as a sign post to other sites of interest or of relevant official information.



**SAFETY NOTICE** - The dark nights are still with us and there are some areas of Ferring with no streetlights making pedestrians more difficult to see. The Highway Code offers clear guidance for drivers, cyclists and pedestrians and advises pedestrians to:

Help other road users to see you. Wear or carry something light-coloured, bright or fluorescent in poor daylight conditions. When it is dark, use reflective materials (eg armbands, sashes, waistcoats, jackets, footwear), which can be seen by drivers using headlights up to three times as far away as non-reflective materials. Rules for pedestrians (1 to 35) - The Highway Code - Guidance - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)



# **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.
- Please try to ensure that any gravel or stone driveways are swept regularly to ensure that the gravel or stones do not spread across and into the road.



**BE POLITE TO FELLOW RESIDENTS –** At busy village locations such as Patterson's Walk and the Rife, please be considerate when you are walking with dogs, jogging, cycling or on scooters and make space for wheelchairs and pushchairs. Over the last two years with the Pandemic, Coronavirus has affected us all in different ways - please be patient and kind to one other.



**KEEP FERRING TIDY** – One of the most regular complaints that the Parish Council receives is the increasing problem with dog fouling and litter within various locations of the village. There are numerous dog and litter bins located around the village. Please 'pick up' and dispose in the correct bins provided or take your rubbish home. The commitment of businesses, volunteers and



**GRANT APPLICATIONS** – Ferring Parish Council can support local groups or organisations with small grant donations. If your group or organisation is interested in applying, please contact the Parish Clerk to request a grant application form (see contact details below).



**POLICE** – There has been a few reported crime incidents in Ferring recently. Please remember to lock your car, house and garages securely. Keep all wallets, purses, credit cards and other valuables out of sight.

Seen something suspicious or have information about a crime or incident? Email the police at <a href="mailto:101@sussex.pnn.police.uk">101@sussex.pnn.police.uk</a> or call **101** or contact Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.



**WELCOME TO A NEW COUNCILLOR -** Ferring Parish Council are pleased to welcome one new coopted Councillor, Paul Moss, who we are sure will become a valuable member of the Parish Council Team.



**COUNCILLORS NEEDED** – The Parish Council are still looking for one more councillor 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:

Full Council Meeting 2022 - 7th March, 25th April. 23rd May, 18th July, all held at the Village Hall.

### **CONTACTING YOUR COUNCIL:**

Visit our website at https://www.ferringparishcouncil.org.uk/

residents is greatly appreciated in keeping our village clean.

E-mail your comments regarding any Village matters to: parishoffice@ferringparishcouncil.org.uk Write to the Council at 1 Elm Park, Ferring, West Sussex BN12 5RN

Read the information on the Council's notice boards

Facebook Search Ferring Parish Council

Call at the Parish Office which is open Monday to Thursday from 9.30 to Midday

Phone the Parish Office on 01903 249449

Speak and have your say at a Council meeting

