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Ferring Parish Council – Winter 2022 Village News & Views from your Council

VICE CHAIRMAN COUNCILLOR CLARE ROYAL WRITES –

Time has flown, winter is upon us and the weather and dark nights often lead to seeing less of each other.

The Season may be cold and dark, but the warmth in our community continues. Our community and the structures within our community are so important for our wellbeing. We share the value of enjoying what is special about our village.

Social Capital is defined as the networks of relationships among people who live and work in a particular society, enabling that society to function effectively. We learned so much during Covid of the value of these networks in supporting our wellbeing and this year, the value of coming together as a community to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee.

During the coming months our amazing community networks continue to provide support, companionship and a sense of community. The Churches, Glebelands Centre, Village Hall and other organisations, continue to offer a range of opportunities and we have the Christmas light switch on and celebration to look forward to.

On behalf of the Parish Council, I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New year.

Clare Royal,
Vice Chairman, Ferring Parish Council



REMEMBRANCE DAY - The annual act of Remembrance organised by Ferring Parish Council and our local Ferring Churches was held on Sunday 13th November 2022. A service at St Andrews Church, Ferring took place followed by the laying of wreaths by 33 local organisations at the War Memorial in Ferring Street. Thank you to all who were involved in this important local event.



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS - Christmas comes to Ferring on **Saturday 3rd December 2022** and starts with the Tree Dressing on the Village Green at 11.00am.

Later in the afternoon, the Christmas Market will open at 2.30pm hosted by the Village Hall and will remain open until 6.30pm, with lots of local crafts and charity stalls to browse, along with tea, coffee and cake served in the main hall via the kitchen hatch.

The Sompting Tipteers will be providing street entertainment at 4.30pm and the Salvation Army will be playing carols from approx. 5.00pm – do come and sing along with the Terry Clough Choir - and the lights will be switched on at approximately 5.15pm.

The Christmas light switch will take place in front of the Village Green, and for safety reasons, the road in this area will be closed from 4.00pm - 6.00pm.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone there on **Saturday 3rd December 2022**.

The Christmas Celebrations are organised by Ferring Parish Council and the Ferring Village Hall Trustees. All outside Event arrangements are subject to weather conditions at the time of the event.

SAFETY NOTICE - The dark nights are now 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 \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/rules-for-pedestrians-1-to-35-the-highway-code-guidance)

LOVE WEST SUSSEX MOBILE APP - On this West Sussex County Council mobile application, residents can report environmental issues such as highways matters including potholes, damage to street furniture or fly-tipping through their smart-phones. West Sussex County Council will process and respond using their integrated services. These matters can also be reported on the West Sussex County Council website (see the Ferring Parish Council Website 'I Want To...' page for direct links).





PARISH OFFICE - The Parish Office is open to all visitors Monday – Thursday, 9.30am - Midday. Alternatively, the Clerk can be contacted via email at parishoffice@ferringparishcouncil.org.uk 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.



WINTER EMERGENCY ARRANGEMENTS - In the event of snow and ice, the County Council grits the main roads through the village – the route of the 700-bus service. In order to assist all other areas, there are four grit bins, the east end of Langbury Lane, north entrance to the village green, north Greystoke Road and outside the convenience store south Ferring. The salt is provided for residents use for public areas only.



PROPERTY SCAM (information supplied by Ferring Neighbourhood Watch Scheme) – Can your house be sold without your knowledge ? In an answer YES it can.

There have been reported incidents that property owners have had their homes sold and furnishings taken without their knowledge. This is as a result of identities being stolen by fraudsters who then sell the property by searching the HM Land Registry title register to target properties that are mortgage free. To prevent this from being a possibility, homes owners can sign up to the Land Registry's free anti fraud property alert service to receive a notification when a local authority search has been requested on your property. If you bought or mortgaged your property since 1998, your property will be registered with Land Registry. You can sign up to the Land Registry Alert Service at <https://propertyalert.landregistry.gov.uk/>. You will need to create an account and then follow instructions to register your property.



POLICE - Seen something suspicious or have information about a crime or incident? Email the police at 101@sussex.pnn.police.uk or call **101** or contact Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111, or www.crimestoppers-uk.org



OVERGROWN HEDGES & BOUNDARIES - This is a request to residents to ensure that their garden plants and vegetation are kept in good order and hedges are cut back to their original boundaries and not causing any danger or obstruction to other residents. We have an increasing number of residents contacting the office to highlight such issues. This is of particular concern at corners of 'T' junctions and cross-roads and edges of public footpaths.



GARDEN WASTE - This is the time of year when many people are carrying out pruning and other garden works which generate garden waste. Please be considerate when disposing of your garden waste. A chargeable garden waste collection service is available from the local District Council. Members of the scheme receive the use of a wheelie bin and a fortnightly collection of their garden waste. Garden Waste can also be taken directly to the Household Waste Recycling Centre. Further information can be found on the Arun District Council website.



HOUSEHOLD RUBBISH - The Parish Council has been made aware of an increasing problem with Household rubbish being put into the litter bins and dog bins located around the village. Arun District Council is aware of this issue and advise that this is an illegal offence to deposit household waste in public bins. Please use the litter bins and dog bins for the use that they are intended.



PARKING IN THE VILLAGE - Please be thoughtful and considerate when parking their vehicles and refrain from parking on grass verges, pavements and obstructing wheelchair/pushchair slopes.

WE NEED YOU



COUNCILLORS NEEDED - The Parish Council is still looking for three 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:

Full Council Meetings 2022 – Monday 28th November, held at the Village Hall.

CONTACTING YOUR COUNCIL:

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

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 12.00**

Phone the Parish Office on **01903 249449**

Speak and have your say at a **Council meeting**

