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Ferring Parish Council – SUMMER 2024

Village News & Views from your Council

CHAIRMAN COUNCILLOR CLARE ROYAL WRITES –

Well, the Spring is with us with the occasional burst of good weather. Let's hope the weather continues to improve and bring Ferring a lovely summer.

The village will look beautiful as ever with the support of our local contractor and local groups who plant the boats and planters, maintain our roads and provide activities for residents giving their time and effort. Thank you for all you bring to our lovely village.

As the summer draws closer, we will of course see more visitors to the area. The council have as in previous years, worked with Arun District Council to ensure extra bins are available along the beach. There are telephone contacts on all the permanent bins, so if you see an overflowing bin, do contact ADC who will arrange additional collection and keep our village/beach looking clean and tidy.

I wish everyone a lovely summer.

Clare Royal
Chairman, Ferring Parish Council

FUN WITH THE OUT AND ABOUT PROJECT – Due to the success of the 'out and about' project over many years, Ferring Parish Council has arranged for Freedom Leisure to return to the village with the project this summer. The project provides free weekly activities for youngsters on the village green including face painting, art and craft, general games and a bouncy castle, subject to the weather conditions. The sessions will be every Tuesday morning from 10.00 am 12 noon on Tuesday 30th July & Tuesday 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th August.



PUBLIC CONVENIENCES – Ferring Parish Council has been working closely with Arun District Council on a project to refurbish the public conveniences on the village green. The provisional start date for the works is 2nd September. Thank you to Arun District Council for their support with this project.



CLAPPERS LANE LEVEL CROSSING SAFETY CAMPAIGN – Network Rail has launched their safety campaign 'Beware of the Bubble' which reminds public of the dangers following five principles as below:

1. Concentrate - it's easy to drift off and take more notice of your phone, music or conversation than what's going on around you.
2. Stop, look and listen - Every crossing is different so always read the signs and follow the Instructions.
3. Check both ways before crossing - if there is a train coming, don't cross. Stay behind the gate or fence line until the train has passed. Remember, there may be more than one train – and they may be coming from different directions.
4. If there are any warning signs (lights, barriers, alarms) make sure you understand what they mean - Always follow instructions at each level crossing completely.
5. Cross quickly and safely - Make sure your exit route is clear and do not stop when crossing.

The Network Rail Team visited the site on 3rd May between 1.00pm – 4.00pm to raise awareness of their safety campaign.

PARISH OFFICE – The Parish Office is now open to all visitors Monday – Friday, 9.30am - Midday. Alternatively, the Clerk can be contacted via email at parishclerk@ferringparishcouncil.org.uk or by telephone on 01903 249449.



DOG FOULING – One of the most frequent complaints that the Parish Council receives is the problem with dog fouling within various locations of the village. There are numerous dog bins located around the village. **Please 'pick up' and ensure 'poo bags' are deposited in the correct bins and not disposed of in residents' refuse/green waste wheelie bins or thrown in long grass, in trees or dropped in drains.** Thank you for helping to keep Ferring clean.





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



KEEP YOUR PROPERTY SAFE – As the weather improves, please remember to take extra care in ensuring your property is safe. Try not to leave doors open or even unlocked. Only have ground-floor windows open in the room you are in. Keep all valuables out of sight. Remember: Let the Police know if you see any suspicious behaviour.



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.

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, home 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.



BE A GOOD NEIGHBOUR –

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



BONFIRE SMOKE – There are no local byelaws regarding bonfires, but we ask that residents consider their neighbours before lighting a bonfire. Bonfire smoke can be very irritating and cause distress to those who are exposed to it or can be a nuisance to neighbours by preventing them from opening windows, hanging out washing, and enjoying their garden.



PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE – Did you know that apart from all the details about your Parish Council, you can use the website (ferringparishcouncil.org.uk) to easily contact or access other local organisations and services?

For example, our Community page has direct links to Ferring leisure and medical facilities, Ferring Library, local bus and train timetables, directories of businesses, organisations and events and community articles. Easily access all these from one place under the 'Community' tab on our website - just click on the relevant website or use the telephone number provided.

The 'I want to ..' page contains links mostly to Arun District Council and West Sussex Council pages for residents to report various issues including potholes and graffiti within the village.

The website also 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.



INTERESTED IN BECOMING A COUNCILLOR? – The Parish Council is still looking for three more councillors to meet our full quota. If you would like to take an active role in supporting the community; have an interest in representing local views; helping the village on local matters, are able and willing to represent the Council and your community and wish to be considered, you are invited to apply to the Clerk, Mrs Nadine Phibbs. The Parish Council have a number of projects we are looking at and would welcome new Councillors to join us. Your application should include your CV and a brief outline of any areas of special interest that you have in village matters. Email your application to the Clerk parishclerk@ferringparishcouncil.org.uk

WE NEED YOU



AND FINALLY:
Full Council Meetings – 15th July, 16th September, 21st October & 2nd December held at the Village Hall at 7.30pm.



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 Friday from 9.30 to 12.00**

Phone the Parish Office on **01903 249449**

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

