



THE PARISH FLYER - 74

Ferring Parish Council – AUTUMN 2024

Village News & Views from your Council

CHAIRMAN COUNCILLOR CLARE ROYAL WRITES –

Welcome to the newsletter keeping the residents aware of what has and will be happening in the coming months. I hope that you have enjoyed the summer weather and that we see a bit more before the Autumn!

Over the coming months we have the refurbishment of the new toilets on the village green in September and the Christmas light switch on to look forward to in December, always a popular event.

We are fortunate to have volunteers with a range of previous skills on our Parish Council and if you feel you would like to contribute to keeping Ferring a lovely village to live in and become a Councillor, do contact our Parish Clerk who will be glad to help you. We all started with limited knowledge and have 'learnt on the job', so never feel that you would not be able to do it!

Don't forget, the clocks go backward on 27th October 2024. Stay safe and be visible on our roads.

Clare Royal
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 10th November 2024**. The Parish Family Service in St Andrew's Church will commence at 09.30am and will end at approximately 10.30am. The laying of Wreaths at the War Memorial in Ferring Street will take place after the service at 11.00am and will include the Act of Remembrance. If your village group or organisation (if you do not already) would like to order and lay a wreath, please contact the Parish Office. **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 – Whilst we are still enjoying the Summer, preparations for the Annual Christmas Light Switch On have begun and will be held on **Saturday 7th December 2024**. The celebrations organised by the Parish Council in conjunction with the Village Hall Trustees will include the light switch on, entertainment, Christmas Carols and a Christmas Fair for all your Christmas gifts. Further details will be available in the next edition of the parish flyer, on the Parish Council website, noticeboards and Facebook page.



ACTIVE PLAY SUMMER SESSIONS – Following the success of the 'out and about' project in previous years, Ferring Parish Council 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. The sessions have been held every Tuesday morning on the village green during the school summer holidays and was well received with an average of 60 youngsters attending each week.



PUBLIC CONVENIENCES ON THE VILLAGE GREEN – The refurbishment work will commence at the public conveniences on the village green on 2nd September 2024 and is expected to be completed by early January 2025. These dates may vary. The refurbishment will provide an accessible toilet cubicle and a range of four individual gender-neutral cubicles including an ambulant disabled cubicle. The public conveniences will be closed from 2nd September 2024 through to 10th January 2025.



DEFIBRILLATORS (AED's) IN THE VILLAGE – Back in 2016, Ferring Parish Council installed a Defibrillator (AED) at the village hall on the side wall to the steps to the Club Room. The AED is simple to operate. If a person suffers or is believed to have suffered a cardiac arrest the first line of action should be to call 999. The operator may ask you to administer CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) even if access to an AED is available. The caller will be guided through the steps for administering CPR and will be informed where the nearest AED is located.



Now, some years later there are a number of Defibrillators (AED's) within the village. The Full location list can be found on our website [Community - Ferring Parish Council](#).



TREE WARDEN REQUIRED – Ferring Parish Council is looking for a volunteer tree warden. The role is to get involved in local tree matters and give an opinion to tree planning applications. If you are interested, please contact the Parish office parishoffice@ferirparishcouncil.org.uk.



TENNIS COURT MAINTENANCE – There are areas of the courts in need of some maintenance, the top surface of the tarmac on the north-east end of one of the courts is beginning to fail. Work to repair the court and also treat both courts to provide a better finish and longevity of the court surface will commence September 2024, weather permitting. In recent years there has been various works at the tennis courts including resurfacing in 2014, clean and repaint 2020 and the installation of new fencing in 2022. Any maintenance to the tennis courts is self-funded from income derived from Tennis Club annual subscriptions and court usage charges.



FERRING SCARECROW FESTIVAL 2024 – This year's event will run from Saturday 26th October until Sunday 3rd November, with Lizzie Webb judging the scarecrows. This year we are raising money for The Community Dementia Hive. If you would like to build a scarecrow and display it at your property please email ferringscarecrow@gmail.com or alternatively have any questions about the event please do send an email. We absolutely thoroughly enjoy putting this event on and bringing the whole of the Ferring Community together.

4SIGHT VISION SUPPORT – 4Sight Vision Support is an independent charity helping people of all ages across West Sussex who are blind or partially sighted to live life without limits. Their caring and trusted team is there to listen, identify areas of need and work with you to live your life without limits. They offer emotional and practical support after diagnosis at the eye unit, including help to understand the certification and registration process of having a visual impairment. If you or someone you know is living with sight loss and needs support, please get in touch with their team on 01243 828555 or email enquiries@4sight.org.uk.



BE A GOOD NEIGHBOUR –

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

LOVE CLEAN STREETS MOBILE APP – On this West Sussex County Council mobile application, residents can report Environmental issues such as Pathway & Highways matters including overgrown footpaths, 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).

REPORT AN ISSUE WITH RUBBISH & DOG BINS – Like the West Sussex County Council's Love Clean Street App, there is also a reporting facility for Arun District Council to report litter issues including overflowing Litter and Dog Bins. This can be reported via [Litter | Arun District Council](#), alternatively the link can be found on the Parish Council's Website, 'I want to' page.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A COUNCILLOR? – The Parish Council is still looking for four 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. Email your application to the Clerk parishclerk@ferringparishcouncil.org.uk

The Parish Council would like to take this opportunity to express their sincere gratitude to Terence Jackson who has recently stepped down from the role as a Councillor. Terence served as a Councillor for over eighteen years as an active member of the Council, he has project managed numerous projects and been involved with a number of council decisions and activities. The Parish Council would like to wish Terence and his family the very best for the future.

AND FINALLY:

Full Council Meetings – 16th September, 21st October & 2nd December 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 Friday from 9.30 to 12.00**

Phone the Parish Office on **01903 249449**

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

