



Corfe Mullen News

Your new Parish Council



A message from
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I am delighted to have been elected to the Parish Council and honoured to act as Chairman for the municipal year 2019-20. I would like to thank outgoing councillors Ed Alexander, John Anderson, Wendy Dix, Susanne Parkin, Alan Perry and Evan Waterman for the services to the Parish Council. I would also like to wish Gail Pape, who was elected but had to withdraw, best wishes for the future. Her place on the Council is due to be filled via co-option over the coming weeks.

Continuing with the work started by outgoing Chairman, Paul Harrison, the council will continue to increase community engagement and in addition to the office Help & Information Centre, website, and public participation at meetings, we are planning to set up a social media group, councillor surgeries and shortly the Council will be considering whether to live stream meetings so that those who are unable for any reason to come to the meeting can see the debate in action as it happens.

There are a number of projects already planned for 2019-20 (see page 2 for more details) and the new Council will be working with the community to identify new areas of work in the years to come.

All our contact details are on the back page, so please do contact us should you have any issues you would like us to address.

- For councillor profiles please see our website.
- Please see back page for councillor contacts.
- There is one vacancy which will be filled by co-option.

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Village Hall/Towers Way Amenity Land

The transfer of ownership of this land to the Parish Council completed on 1st May and already there is an improvement to the amenity area with an increased frequency of grass-cutting.

The Parish Council is keen to enhance this area, initially by tidying up overgrown areas, so if you have any ideas of improvements you would like to see, please do get in touch.

Skate Park

Due to staff sickness, there has been a delay in the installation of three benches around the new skate park, so please bear with us.

Sadly we recently experienced some extensive graffiti damage to the skate park which is costing £650 plus VAT to remove. The police are investigating.

- **If you witness any damage being done to any of our sites, please do report it to the police immediately to give them a chance to identify the perpetrators. If you notice any damage, please contact our office as soon as possible.**

Henbury Play Area

The Council has put out to tender the refurbishment of this play area following the renewal of the Parish Council's licence on this Dorset Council-owned land.

Once a design has been approved, it is hoped that the work will be undertaken in autumn/early winter.

Village Hall improvements

We are delighted to announce that our grant application to the Big Lottery Fund to install air conditioning in the village hall was successful, with 100% of the costs being funded. The air conditioning has been installed meaning that aerobics ,dancing etc. can continue safely even on the hottest days.



Highways

The measures to prevent illegal and inconsiderate parking on the verge outside BH Live and the Towers Way Coop are taking place in June and July. Can we remind all residents not to park on verges, to park considerately, and to remember that it is safe and legal to park along roads such as the Wareham Road without having a significant effect on traffic flow. Let's keep the village tidy and safe!

The Parish Council is closely monitoring the effectiveness of Dorset Highways weed spraying of pavements and gutters this year. Spraying is being undertaken in June so if you are unhappy with how your road has been cleared of weeds, please do get in touch, preferably with photos and the date these were taken.

Facebook

We have set up a Parish Council Facebook Group as an additional way for residents to keep in touch. Look for us on Facebook and request to join to keep abreast of our news.

Staff change

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Mike White who joined us as part-time Assistant Groundsman to replace Rob Coker who left in March. Mike will be working alongside Head Groundsman John Case, Assistant Groundsmen Christopher Case and Stan Drayton.

Who's for Tennis?

Corfe Mullen Tennis Club has been running for 60 years and has been based at the recreation ground for over 25 years. We now have room for new members.

If you are aged 20+ and interested in play doubles at a reasonable standard in a fun and relaxed atmosphere why not try us out? If you are up for something more challenging we also have teams in all the Dorset doubles leagues. We run social and charity events and have access to an excellent coach.

Sessions are Tuesdays and Thursdays 6pm to 8pm or Saturdays 2pm to 5pm and you can try us out up to 3 times for just £3 per session. Mention this article and you will receive a 15% discount on the normal joining fee for the first year. Just turn up or contact Bridget (07887 997476) or Paul (07812 325442).



Your local Police Safer Neighbourhood Team Report
from Police Community Support Officer Neal Rooke



Recently we have seen a rise in anti-social behaviour in Corfe Mullen. This is mainly occurring around the Towers Way, Corfe Mullen Recreation Ground and Victoria Close Play Park. The Neighbourhood Policing team are working closely with other agencies to reduce disrupt and deter this type of behaviour. That said, we ask residents to continue to report any anti-social behaviour you may witness.

I would like to take this opportunity to raise awareness of a national issue. This issue is commonly known as 'County Lines'. This is where drug gangs from big cities expand their operations to smaller towns, driving out local dealers and exploiting children and vulnerable people to sell drugs. These dealers will use vulnerable people's houses as a base of operation. This is commonly known as 'cuckooing'. A number of gang members will move into the address and take over often without the home owner's permission. This is not usually reported to police through fear of repercussions. From this address the gang will receive large quantities of drugs from the fellow gang members in the cities and distribute these in the smaller towns.

Signs to look out for if you suspect your neighbour may have been cuckooed.

- People calling at a local address - often at unsociable hours
- Suspicious vehicles or people at an address
- A neighbour that has not been seen for a while

PCSO Neal Rooke

Useful contacts

Power cuts	105
Police	101
Phone Fault	0800 800151
Smell Gas	0800 111999
NHS	111

- **Parish Council and Councillor contacts are on the back page**

New Sewing Class at the Village Hall



A new sewing class is starting on Thursday 3rd October
2019 10 a.m. 12 noon at the Village Hall.

If you would enjoy designing and making clothes, this may be of interest to you.

Wendy Dix, who has many years of experience both running her own business and teaching on the fashion course of a local art college, would like to pass on her knowledge of garment making.

If you would like further information please ring Wendy on 01202 604208.

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Corfe Mullen Community Aid
is a local charity which runs a
Voluntary Community Transport Scheme taking
Corfe Mullen residents to and from medical appoint-
ments

Volunteer drivers are always needed

There are no set times and we fit in with your availability
If you wish to volunteer ring Anne Holland on 01202 697998

If you need our assistance always ring 07000 780593

Charity No: 900579

VILLAGE HALL ACTIVITIES & CLUBS

Mondays term time	9.30-10.30 am 10.35-11.30	Zumba Vera Flow	07887 702113	2nd Wednesdays	7.30pm	Circle of Friends	01202 694951
Mondays	3.30-6.45 pm	Limelight Children's Dance	07425 477256	Thursdays	9.30-noon	Line Dancing	01202 605554
Mondays	7.30-10.00 pm	Ballroom/Latin Dance	07718 208897	Thursdays	6.00-8.00pm	Pilates- two classes	07940 821351
Mondays	6.15-7.15 pm	Zumba	07887 702113	1st Thursday (some)	7.30 pm	Alpine Garden Society	01202 692962
Tuesdays	9.30-10.30 am	Tai Chi	07938 226833	2nd Thursday	2.00-4.00pm	Women's Institute	01202 605208
Tuesdays	3.45-6.00pm	Ballet	01202 872908	3rd Thursday (some)	7.30-9.30pm	Corfe Mullen Gardening Club	01202 656705
2nd & 4th Tuesdays	7.30-9.45pm	Family Bingo fundraiser	01202 692912	Fridays	10.00-12:30	Corfe Mullen Art Group	01202 385523
3rd Tuesday	7.30pm	Floral Decoration Society	01202 690736	Fridays	10:00- 11:45am	Coffee Morning fundraiser	01202 605208
3rd Tuesday	2.00-5.00 pm	Quilters	01202 690086	Fridays	4.15-6.15 pm	Groove Child Dance Class	07949 236382
Wednesdays	9.30-10.30	Aerobics Class	0788742 1733	4th Friday	2.30-4.00 pm	Carpet Bowls	01202 692912
Wednesdays	10-11.30	Iyengar Yoga	07815 060588	Saturdays	9.00-11.00	PlaySportz	07885 791368
Wednesdays	1.30-3.30 pm	Tea Dance	07718 208897	9th August 29th November	12.50-3.45pm or 4.45-7.15pm	Blood Donor Sessions	To book 0300 1232323
Wednesdays	4.00-5.30pm	Children's latin/ ballroom	07718 208897	Please enquire direct to the numbers above regarding availability, costs etc.			
Wednesdays	7.00 pm	Dance exercise	01202 848052				

**To Book the Village Hall check availability at <http://www.corfemullen-pc.gov.uk/>
To Book : Tel. 01202 698600 Email vhbookings@corfemullen-pc.gov-uk**

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