



Corfe Mullen Parish Council

Corfe Mullen News

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Local Elections - Don't forget to vote !

As outlined in the January edition, elections are to be held in May for two local councils:

- Dorset Council - the new unitary authority replacing all district and county councils
- Corfe Mullen Parish Council

The Notice of Election was formally published on 15th March and after the close of nominations on April 3rd we will know if there are more candidates than there are available seats. If this is the case, there will be a poll on Thursday 2nd May and you will all receive polling cards for both elections.

There are two seats for the Dorset Council, and fourteen for the Parish Council. Whilst voters can vote for up to 14 candidates to fill the Parish Council seats, the Parish Council would very much encourage them to exercise all of those votes.

Information on who is standing will be available at:

www.dorsetforyou.com

and in addition we will ask each Parish Council candidate to provide a short paragraph about themselves which we will display in our reception and on our website front page at:

www.corfemullen-pc.gov.uk

Dorset Council and Corfe Mullen Parish Council have different responsibilities but will now be the only councils looking after residents' interests, so please do make sure that you use your votes.

POLLING DAY 2 MAY 2019

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Highways

The Parish Council entered into an agency agreement with the County Council last year which means that it can contribute to small highway projects for the benefit of the community. So far this arrangement has been used for:

- Installing a much-needed hard standing on a bus stop in Springdale Road
- Upgrading an electric pillar and electrical connection on the green outside the Esso garage in readiness for a community Christmas Tree in 2019
- Installation of bollards in Towers Way, near the junction of Wareham Road, to prevent parking on the double yellow lines and verges (to be done shortly)
- Installation of Purbeck stone boulders on the verges outside BH Live to prevent parking on the grass verge, these works are also scheduled to be done soon and will include reinstating the grass

The Parish Council also works very closely with the County Council's Community Highways Officer to ensure that problems around the parish are addressed. Recently we have been liaising on the following matters:

- Running water across the Blandford Road by Brog Street . This was dangerous in cold weather when it iced up, and has now been addressed.
- Albert Road resurfacing- we are pushing for this to be given priority
- Ditch clearance on Knoll, Brickyard and Red Lane
- Speed on the Blandford Road past Brog Street: the County Council has agreed to progress a request for a reduction in the speed limit here to 40 mph, this will however join a long list across the county and will take a while, but in the meantime new signage and other traffic calming measures are to be installed to alert people that there may be horses and pedestrians along the road and to please slow down.
- Clearing up of debris from gully cleaning, which we do not want left on the verge

Acquisition of land

East Dorset District Council is transferring the ownership of land at Towers Way to the Parish Council. This land comprises the Village Hall, Parish Council Offices, Play area, goal end and the amenity area. The Parish Council already manages most of this land under either leasing or licensing arrangements so it makes sense for it to own it. The land is being transferred free of charge as a Community Asset Transfer.

New allotments

The Parish Council no longer rents land on Wimborne Road for allotments, as the landowner has now sold this to Bellway Homes for housing, as allowed for under the Local Plan. Replacement allotments are being provided by the developer on land at Broadmoor Road and will be leased to the Parish Council from Harry J Palmer Holdings Ltd., under a 125-year lease.

The allotments will have a car park, a communal building, an eco-friendly composting toilet, and a communal hardstanding for deliveries of manure etc. It is hoped that plots will be boarded with access paths of wood chips. The whole site will be enclosed with deer and rabbit proof fencing and a native hedge.

Construction of the new allotments has started and there will be some plots available for new tenants. If you are already on the waiting list you need do nothing, you will be contacted once the allotments are available. If you wish to be placed on the waiting list, please contact the Parish Council office.

Cemetery

A secure compound has been created for grave spoil, this will ensure that the cemetery is kept neat and tidy and that the trees are not damaged by the soil piling up around them.

Recreation Ground

We have recently replaced a memorial seat with one of our own and added a new bin to the skate park area. Seating around the skate park is planned, as is the repainting and some refurbishment to the play area.

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Village Hall

The drive, paths and car park have been re-surfaced and the car park has been marked out. Much-needed internal decoration is planned to start as soon as possible, and we have applied for a grant to install air conditioning, so that dancing and exercise can continue even in the hottest summers.

Thanks to our community champions

March saw two events for community champions. The Chairman's evening reception, which followed the first Civic Day, was an opportunity for the Chairman, Cllr Paul Harrison, on behalf of the Parish Council, to thank volunteers and representatives of community and voluntary organisations for all their hard work. Excellent entertainment was provided by the Dorset Youth Marching Band and Southern Star Longsword Dancers and Mrs Jacqueline Swift, High Sheriff of Dorset, gave an informative talk on the origins of English sheriffs.

The second event was the Annual Parish Meeting, where parishioners come together to talk about current issues, and the Parish Council Chairman handed out grant cheques totalling £5600 to twelve organisations.

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

Corfe Mullen Library

Do you love reading but can't get to the library?

The Home Library Service can bring the library to you – for free!

The Home Library Service is for people who are housebound and living at home or in sheltered accommodation. Books are delivered to you by volunteers.

Choose from books, large print, audiobooks and request books for free.

Royal Voluntary Service

Email: dorsetwiltshirehub@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk

Tel: 01305 236666



COMCA

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

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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	6.15-7.15 pm	Zumba	07887 702113	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	3.30-6.45 pm	Limelight Children's Dance	07425 477256	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 from 26th April	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	12th April 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**

Parish Councillors

Ed Alexander	01202 697685	Paul Harrison	01202 698050	David Mattocks	0792 872 1842	Alan Perry	01202 605448
John Anderson	01202 699278	Anne Holland	01202 697998	Julia Stennett	01202 698464	Evan Waterman	01202 699963
Wendy Dix	01202 604208	Paul Holland	01202 697998	Susan Jefferies	01202 699647	Chairman:	Paul Harrison
David Everett	01202 696014	Bill Honeyman	01202 696272	Susanne Parkin	01202 694197	Vice-Chairman:	Paul Holland

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Parish Clerk: Mrs Katrina Blee

OFFICE OPEN Monday to Friday 9.00 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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