



# Crowthorne PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

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## SUMMER 2022

### PROJECTS ARISING FROM THE THREE YEAR STRATEGY PLAN

The Crowthorne 3 Year Strategy Plan was formally adopted on 3 May 2022 following consultation with local residents. CPC has agreed to undertake the following projects which have arisen from the Plan:

- Greening of the High Street/Dukes Ride - hanging baskets and planters were installed in Feb/Mar 22;
- Morgan Rec - refurbishment of the games area, improvement of football pitch, replacement of storage container, running/walking track around rec;
- Solar panels on the Morgan Centre and Parish Hall;
- Electric vehicle charging facilities;
- Platinum jubilee art competition;
- Improved car park security;
- Improvements at Circle Hill and Walter Recreation Ground—successful funding of £10k has been awarded by the National Lottery for footpath improvement works.

### HANGING BASKETS & PLANTERS FOR CROWTHORNE'S RETAIL AREAS

Crowthorne Parish Council (CPC) worked with Bracknell Forest Council (BFC) to secure funding for hanging baskets and planted flower towers in the retail areas of the parish. The funds, awarded from the EU Welcome Back Fund, aimed at making retail areas welcoming to shoppers especially in the wake of the pandemic, covered the initial installations with CPC agreeing to fund the cost of planting and watering for 2 seasons: March to mid-May and May to August/September 2022, from its own budget.



### ANNUAL GRANTS 2022

Each year the Parish Council considers requests for grants to assist organisations that work for the benefit of local residents or who are involved in delivering valued services to the Crowthorne Parish community. This year CPC supported 23 organisations by awarding £18,479 in grant funding. Application forms for next year's round of applications can be obtained by emailing: [administration@crowthorne-pc.gov.uk](mailto:administration@crowthorne-pc.gov.uk)

**ANNUAL PARISH MEETING:** 21 June, 7pm at the Morgan Centre. Talks by the Lord Lieutenant for Berkshire on his work representing the Queen in her jubilee year and Ana Romero from Wellington College on sustainability and COP26 will follow. Also in attendance will be the Mayor of the Borough of Bracknell Forest, Cllr Ankur Shiv Bhandari. All are welcome to attend this community event.

### PLATINUM JUBILEE ART COMPETITION

CPC held a jubilee themed art competition and exhibition at the library which received many entries across the ages. The Mayor of the Borough of Bracknell Forest, Cllr Ankur Shiv Bhandari, opened the exhibition and announced the winning entries. Prizes of £900 were donated by Daler-Rowney.



One of the winning entries: *'The Queen at the Lexicon'*



### SUMMER OF FUN 2022 IS BACK

This popular and free family event, funded by the Parish Council, is back after an absence of 2 years due to Covid. CPC's 5th Summer of Fun event will be held on **Tuesday 16 August 2022, 11am—3pm** on the Morgan Rec.

Lots of FREE activities will be available to try out including: climbing wall, crazy golf, inflatables, face painting, laser tag, balloon modelling, reptile experience, sand/water activity for pre-schoolers, music and games, library stall, Crowthorne Rugby Club youth attraction, and a range of other activities plus food and drink vendors.

### CROWTHORNE MARKET

Established during the pandemic, the Crowthorne Market continues to thrive at the Morgan Recreation Ground car park every Friday and Sunday, 9am—2pm.



Come and show your support for our regular/ad hoc traders. Further information about the market can be found on CPC's website.



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## INSTALLATION OF PAVEMENT BOLLARDS ON WELLINGTON ROAD

CPC and numerous members of the public have repeatedly complained about dangerous and illegal car parking on Wellington Road in close proximity to the junction with the High Street. CPC has agreed to commit CIL funding for the installation of two pavement bollards on the southern side of Wellington Road to prevent dangerous pavement parking. BFC's Highways team is currently looking into this scheme and other engineering options are being explored for those lengths where the footway is narrower and bollards could cause other difficulties.

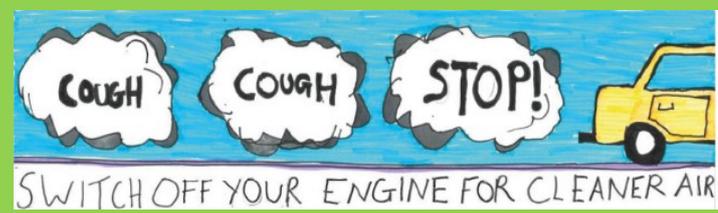
## SUMMER ACTIVITIES ARE BACK

After an absence of 2 years due to Covid, Churches Together Crowthorne will be hosting their Annual Summer Activities events on the Morgan Recreation Ground. A range of free activities will be on offer for all to enjoy. The activities will take place on the following Fridays: 29 July & 5, 12, 19 August 2022 at 3.00pm—5.00pm.

## AIR QUALITY RESOLUTION

CPC passed a resolution at its meeting in May 2022 to work in partnership with the Public Protection Partnership (PPP) and Bracknell Forest Council (BFC) to promote a Clean Air Campaign in Crowthorne. Ideas, including assemblies at schools, bumper stickers, poster competitions and an article in The Crowthorne Eye about the polluting impact of engine idling in the High Street, car parks and outside schools are planned.

Other proposals include working with High Street traders to make sure that their delivery drivers turn off their engines and supporting the PPP with a stall at the market or outside the library promoting Clean Air.



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## CROWTHORNE COMMUNITY NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION GROUP (NAG)

A Crowthorne NAG meeting took place on 10 February 2022. The Police and Crime Commissioner for TVP attended as a guest speaker and spoke about local policing initiatives. The next NAG meeting has been scheduled for 16 June to be held in the Morgan Centre where James Sunderland MP and Chief Inspector Helen Kenny will be guest speakers and hold a Q&A session. Various anti-social behaviour concerns and projects will be discussed.

CPC has recently been awarded £5,000 from the Police and Crime Commissioner's Community Fund for anti-social behaviour initiatives.

## CROWTHORNE CARNIVAL 2022 IS BACK, 2 - 10 July 2022

The Crowthorne Carnival is back after an absence of 2 years. This year's fete will be held on Saturday 2 July 2022 on the Morgan Rec. This year's theme is 'The Platinum Years, Monarchy, Music and Mayhem, 1952-2022.' Carnival Day starts at 12pm with a street procession travelling from Wellington College, via Dukes Ride and the High Street to the Morgan Rec where there will be entertainment for all.



Flower Festival—CPC's entry in the Crowthorne Flower Festival has been coordinated by the Clerk, Cllr Mrs Robertson and Mrs Bull and is themed the 'Channel Tunnel'. The display can be seen at St John's Parish Church, 9—11 July.

## PARISH OFFICE, COUNCIL MEETINGS & CLLR SURGERIES

The Parish Office is open between the hours of 9am—1pm, Monday to Friday.

Full Council meetings have returned to the Morgan Centre on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm. A public speaking slot of 15 minutes is allocated at each meeting.

Cllr Surgeries have also resumed and are held on the first Saturday of the month, 11am—12pm at Crowthorne Library.

## VENUES FOR HIRE

Are you looking for a venue to hire to run a regular exercise class? If so the Morgan Centre and Parish Hall may be ideal for you. For more information email: [administration@crowthorne-pc.gov.uk](mailto:administration@crowthorne-pc.gov.uk)



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