

June 2021

Parish Council meetings

All meetings of the Parish Council will be face-to-face only from 7th May 2021 onwards. Members of the public are very welcome to attend any of our meetings which will be held in compliance with COVID-19 social distancing procedures.

- Planning Committee – Monday, 7th June, 7.00 pm
- Finance and General Purposes Committee – Monday, 14th June, 2.00 pm
- Planning Committee – Monday, 21st June, 7.00 pm
- Full Council meeting – Monday, 28th June, 7.00 pm

Meetings listed are correct at the time of printing but may be subject to change. Please check on the website for any updates or confirm by contacting clerk@charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk

Community events

- There are no Community events this month

NEWSLETTER No.22

Parish Council Newsletter Newsletters are posted on Noticeboards within the Parish and made available on the Parish Council website. If you would be interested in receiving the Parish Council Newsletter by email, please contact us on clerk@charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk

COVID-19 support There is a dedicated page on the Charlton Kings Parish Council website where we are posting information and useful contacts for individuals and community groups. <https://www.charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk/covid-19-corona-virus-support.html> This information is also being posted on our noticeboards and hard-copies can be requested by contacting clerk@charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk

New staff role at Charlton Kings Parish Council We are currently recruiting for a new part-time role of Community Development Officer at the Parish Council. The closing date for applications is Sunday, 13th June 2021. For further information about this interesting and rewarding role supporting residents of Charlton Kings, and how to apply for it, contact us on clerk@charltonkingparishcouncil.gov.uk or 01242 250087 or see our website <https://www.charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk/vacancies.html>

Opening of Stanton Suite for lettings Subject to on-going guidance regarding COVID-19, our Stanton Hall and Conference Room are available for letting. Please contact the Parish Office on admin@charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk or 01242 250087. More information about the facilities can be found on our website at <https://www.charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk/halls-for-hire.html>

Volunteers Week – June 2021 Every year, the first week in June is celebrated by the National Council for Voluntary Organisations as 'Volunteers Week', giving an opportunity for communities across the UK to thank EVERYONE who volunteers their time, skills and often money, to support other people's lives both directly or by improving their environment, health, or opportunities.

In Charlton Kings, we all benefit from so many great volunteering efforts, but this is a particular and special thank you from your Parish Councillors, who are themselves all volunteers, to everyone who has worked to support the activities of the Parish Council over the last, hugely difficult, year.

Our thanks go to all those who have supported our Climate Change project-CK Futures, and the CK Health Connect programme; all Friends of Charlton Kings who have led the support to our community right from the start of the first Covid lockdown (as well as creating a community allotment, providing leadership to support young people through last summer, and beginning to build a real community organisation); our Public Rights of Way 'Guardians'; helpers with environmental improvements to Grange Field by bulb and hedge planting; contributors to our publications and leaflets; representatives on our allotment sites; and many, many, more individual contributions. THANK YOU – It all makes a difference!

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Grange Field Following recent engagement with local residents the Parish Council invites all Charlton Kings residents to a public meeting at 7pm on 6th July 2021 in the Stanton Room, Church Piece to explore future plans for Grange Field. This will be dependent on Government restrictions for indoor meetings lifting from 21st June 2021. There will be a letter circulated in due course through all the Parish Council media networks providing further information.

Church Piece refurbishment In advance of the much anticipated return of the mosaic rill in Church Piece, we have been working on a general tidy up of the precinct. We recently employed a local handyman to remove all the weeds, as well as clear up outside the Parish office building.

As all the regulars through Church Piece will have noticed, the wooden bench tops are absent from the concrete bases. They are currently being sanded and oiled back to their former glory and will be back in place soon.

This month should also see the completion of the benches and walls being repainted. Keep an eye on our website for more details and confirmation of when the mosaic will be reinstalled.

Loan of "litterpickers" The Parish Council has a number of sticks for picking up litter which it is happy to loan to any groups of residents who wish to undertake a "litterpick". For further information please contact the Parish Office on admin@charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk or 01242 250087.

Easy Access Allotment plot The Parish Council is delighted to announce the completion of an 'Easy Access' allotment located at its Sappercombe site. This shares a corner plot with local residents who are creating a very active community allotment for all ages managed by the Friends of Charlton Kings. We are actively seeking local residents to join in this exciting venture.

The 'Easy Access' allotment plot offers direct entrance from a car park to paved pathways around three raised wooden beds, making it suitable for wheelchair users or others who are not able to manage normal allotment work. It operates on a collaborative approach where cultivation tasks and produce are shared. It is supported by members of the neighbouring community allotment group. For further information or to register interest in becoming one of the joint allotmenters of our 'Easy Access' plot, please contact the Parish office: officer@charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk and for information on the Friends community allotment please contact Anna West: annam@friendsofcharltonkings.org

Allotment Competition 2021 The Parish Council is pleased to announce that the annual Allotment Competition will take place once again this year. Formal judging will take place in the first week of July for those plots that have made the shortlist following the routine June summer inspection cycle. It is hoped to hold our Awards Event on the afternoon of Saturday, 11th September but this will be dependent on the COVID-19 situation. More details for successful allotment holders will be available at a later date.

CK Health Connect update Many thanks to the 200 residents who completed our recent post-Covid survey, which closed in May. We asked for feedback on challenges and/or any positives experienced through lockdown,

Your Councillors

Cllr Rob Williams (Chair)

Cllr Paul Cockwill

Cllr Ian Gosling

Cllr Katie Gosling

Cllr Russell Grimshaw

Cllr Penny Hall

Cllr Clive Hodges

Cllr Ned Holt

Cllr Janet Honeywill

Cllr Lynda Johnson

Cllr Andrew Lansley

Cllr Duncan Munro

Cllr Jim O'Sullivan

Cllr Pat Palmer

Cllr Felicity Parnham

Cllr Rob Reid

Cllr Ros Smith

as well as finding out what people are most looking forward to as restrictions ease over the summer. Our final question looked for ideas on any future supports needed to build the health & well-being of the Charlton Kings community, family and friends.

We will be reporting our summary key findings and ideas for the future to the Full Council meeting on Monday 28th June and following this you will be able to read the full report on the CK Health Connect webpage – please see link below.

Our follow-up survey of local service/activity providers in Charlton Kings is underway and will close on Monday 7th June. Together with our health partners and the feedback from you, our community - the CK Health Connect project will continue to focus on the health & well-being needs of the people of Charlton Kings as we emerge from lockdown.

For all updates on this project go to: <https://www.charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk/charlton-kings-health-connect.html>

CK Futures update

- Need to know about home energy and insulating your loft? Justine Mallinson from Severn Wye Energy Agency joined us (virtually) to talk about the importance of energy conservation and what you can do about it. You can see the video of her webinar on the Parish Council website at <https://www.charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk/workshops.html>
- On 30th June at 7pm we welcome Matt Cleevly from Cleevly Motors who will be telling us about Electric Vehicles (EVs) and answering your questions from EV performance to charging points and more. Please sign up on the Events page on our website at <https://www.charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk/ck-futures-events.html> to reserve a place at this free event. We hope to be in the Stanton Hall for this event - this will depend on Government guidelines, and we will keep people up to date.
- More footprints... follow the footprints in Cox's Meadow. Just a reminder for people to calculate their carbon footprint - for more information <https://footprint.wwf.org.uk/#/>
- Want to know more take a look at the Carbon Reduction Guides on Food, Travel and more on the Parish Council website at <https://www.charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk/knowledge-and-tools.html>



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