

October 2020

Parish Council meetings

All meetings of the Parish Council will be held virtually until restrictions on face-to-face meetings due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak are lifted.

Members of the public are very welcome to join any of our virtual meetings. Please contact the Clerk on clerk@charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk to request an invitation.

- **Planning Committee** – Monday, 5th October, 7.00 pm
- **Allotments Committee** – Monday, 12th October, 7.00 pm
- **Planning Committee** – Monday, 19th October, 7.00 pm
- **Full Council Meeting** – Monday, 26th October, 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

- **Community Basic Life-Saving and Defibrillator Awareness** - Saturday, 24th October, 10.00 am, Stanton Hall
FREE TRAINING SESSION BUT PARTICIPANTS MUST BOOK WITH PARISH OFFICE IN ADVANCE

NEWSLETTER No.14

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 information and support There is now 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

Parish Councillor vacancies

There are currently two vacancies on the Parish Council. Being a Councillor is a varied and interesting role which allows residents to have a positive impact on their community. **If you might be interested in the role, please contact the Clerk on clerk@charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk or 01242 250087**

CANCELLATION of Community Open Meeting Charlton Kings Parish Council has taken the difficult decision to defer the Community Open Meeting which had been scheduled for Thursday 22nd October 2020 in the light of recent safety guidance issued in relation to COVID-19.

The Parish Council's Community Open Meetings provide an opportunity for local residents to meet their Councillors, hear about the work of the Council and to provide input in relation to local issues.

The Council is considering the timing, format and focus of the deferred meeting, in the context of emerging COVID-19 guidance, and an update will be provided in due course. **Please contact the Clerk if you have any questions or queries.**

Damaged bus shelter at Glenfall Way and Ryeworth Road junction In September, the parish office received a report of damage to one of our bus shelters from a local resident. A lower panel of glass was smashed in what appears to have been an act of vandalism to the bus shelter located at the junction of Glenfall Way and Ryeworth Road. The incident was reported to the police. Although the glass was mostly removed by the local resident, Cheltenham Borough Council Street Cleansing department were contacted to ensure all debris had been cleared away. BC Shelters who have supplied and installed a number of bus shelters in the parish over the last few years, have been contracted to repair the panel. As the shelter does not pose any danger to passers-by in its current state, the repair will be carried out on a non-urgent timescale, at a reduced cost. The cost of repair will be covered by the insurance.

Update on CK Futures September was a busy month for CK Futures. In collaboration with Vision21 we ran our first Pop-up Repair Shop in the Stanton Rooms. The electricians and knife sharpener were kept occupied all morning, giving new life to over 50 knives, tools and electrical items. Also there were a series of meetings: with Alex Chalk MP to discuss energy and buildings; with Max Wilkinson the newly appointed CBC Cabinet member for

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Your Councillors

Cllr Rob Williams (Chair)

Cllr Paul Cockwill

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

Climate and Communities; also, Kevin Cranston, Mayor of Stroud, to hear more about Stroud as a "Transition Town".

In October the focus is on: establishing a new Facebook group aimed at making a positive environmental impact (you will hear more in the next couple of weeks), supporting the Grange Field consultation and planning our engagement with schools and young peoples' groups to look at our carbon footprint. **If you would like to be involved or for more information email ckfutures@charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk**

Community Basic Life-Saving and Defibrillator training – Saturday, 24th October 2020, Stanton Hall This course is free and is run by the South Western Ambulance Service who sourced and maintain the defibrillator that is located on the exterior wall of the Parish Office in Church Piece, Charlton Kings. In order to comply with COVID-19 safety guidance, you must book in advance if you wish to attend this course. Numbers are limited and allocated on first come first served basis. **For more information and to book a place, contact 01242 250087 or admin@charltonkingsparishcouncil.gov.uk**

Update on the Charlton Kings stocks and their maintenance Our stocks, with an integral whipping post, were made in March 1763 at a cost of 17 shillings (85p in today's money). 250 years later, many will remember the event on a snowy April morning in 2016 to celebrate their full restoration and relocation to their new and more accessible site. Tim Maslin gave a bravura performance as Seth Longfield, representing one of the three men arrested by PC Fowler in 1857 for playing pitch and toss instead of being in church, and punished with three hours in the stocks. The Parish Council is responsible for the proper maintenance of the stocks and annually inspects them, to ensure all is well.



Although stocks went out of use in about 1870, the 1405 an Act of Parliament instructing every town and village to have a set of stocks has never been repealed! During the COVID-19 pandemic, police in Chinu, Colombia, have placed residents who broke quarantine in stocks, so make sure that you remember the 'Rule of Six'!

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