

Wokingham Without Parish News

Spring 2019



Spring Litter Pick

Around 70 people joined in the Wokingham Without litter pick on

Sunday 24th March, collecting dozens of bags of waste from across the parish. Meeting at Pinewood on what was a bright, sunny morning, the volunteers collected litter from across the parish, including Bigshotte



Park, Pinewood, Heathlake, Gorrick Wood and from local streets and footpaths.

A big thanks from the parish council to everyone who volunteered!

Grants

At our Annual Parish Meeting on 18th March, the council was pleased to give grant payments totalling over £11,000 to the following organisations (pictured right), to help deliver services in the parish or provide support to local residents:

1st St Sebastian's Scout Group, Berkshire MS Therapy Centre, Careers Springboard Bracknell, Citizens Advice Wokingham, Crowthorne Carnival Association, Crowthorne Community Minibus, Crowthorne Foodbank, Crowthorne Stroke and Disabled Club, Crowthorne Summer Activities, Crowthorne Trails, Cruse Bereavement Care, Growbaby, Keep Mobile, Me2 Club, St Sebastian's Church Hall, Sue Ryder Duchess of Kent Hospice, Wokingham Job Support Centre and Wokingham Volunteer Centre

Contacting us....

The Parish Office, based at Pinewood, is open mornings from 10 till noon, Monday to Friday and by appointment at other times.

We have a supply of blue bin bags and brown garden waste bags for sale.

Parish Office, Pinewood Centre, Old Wokingham Road, Wokingham, RG40 3AQ

01344 771425 or admin@wokinghamwithout-pc.gov.uk



Adopt a Street

Have you heard about the adopt-a-street initiative?

Residents can help keep a nominated local area free from litter by signing up to the scheme, and using litter picking equipment provided by the Parish Council.



The council can also supply green 'Adopt a Street' waste bags for picked litter, that can be put out with your blue bags for collection.

Give us a call in the office if you'd like to know more!

Fit for life!

In January 2019, the parish council, working in partnership with Wokingham Borough Council and Places for People Leisure, established a new, affordable fitness class for the over 55s, at the

Memorial Hall on Nine Mile Ride.



The classes are run by Personal Trainer Vikki Roberts on Wednesdays from 10.45 until 12:15 and cost £3 per session. The aims of the project are to get residents more active, and providing an opportunity to socialise after the classes over a hot drink and a snack.

Loneliness and social isolation have been key issues in the press recently, and the parish council felt it could put the hall to good use, and

provide an opportunity for residents to improve their physical and mental well-being.

Do you have an idea that could help combat loneliness and social isolation? If so, we'd love to hear from you!

Please contact the parish office on 01344 771425 or email admin@wokinghamwithout-pc.gov.uk

Reporting highways problems

Residents are being encouraged to use the online tool on Wokingham Borough Council's website to report problems on local highways.

Residents can use the tool to report issues such as abandoned vehicles, flooding, potholes and damaged road signs,. Once a problem is logged, you will receive an automated response and a reference number, making it easy to track the progress with resolving the problem.

Urgent highways issues should still be reported by calling 0118 974 6000 and using selecting the 'highways' option.



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