



# COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER: December 2021

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*Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our readers*



## TELEPHONE BOXES

We have started to notice books both paperback and hardback appearing in a couple of our telephone centres information centres.

This is a polite request to ask that residents please refrain from leaving unwanted books on the floor of the kiosks.

With the winter rainy season approaching the books will soon take up moisture and become unfit for purpose.

Also, unfortunately yet another Window has been smashed, this time in the Winsor Road kiosk!

## FLOODING IN THE PARISH

This is a seasonal reminder to ask you all to check that your ditches, pipes, gullies and drains are clear and free running.

As we are all aware it's very important to ensure that surface water can drain freely off your land and property, a few hours spent clearing them now will reap dividends in the coming winter storms for you and your neighbours.

The Parish Flood Plan (PFP) leaflet is designed to assist local residents to familiarise themselves with how to respond to a local flooding event.

All members of the Flooding Advisory Committee have paper copies of the PFP available for those who do not have access to the internet.



 Copies of the PFP are available on the Parish website under Flooding on the top menu.

## THE QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE 2022



Your Parish Council is deciding on how best to mark next years Platinum Jubilee.

A small working group will report back its initial findings at the December Parish Council meeting. Meanwhile if any members of the community have any ideas that they would like to be considered, please pass them to the Parish Clerk, who will forward them to the working group.

The Clerks phone number, address and e-mail address can all be found on the bottom of this newsletter.



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# AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE PARISH OF COPYTHORNE

On October 27th 2021 (a few days after our November newsletter went to press) I was advised by English Rural Housing Association ("ERHA"), acting on behalf of New Forest Villages Housing Association Ltd, that they have been developing a proposal for 10 affordable homes for rent to families with a connection to the parish on land to the rear of The Haywain pub in New Inn Road, Bartley.

I understand that these proposals have been discussed with the New Forest National Park Authority (as the Local Planning Authority) and New Forest District Council (as the local Housing Authority) and ERHA are now sharing them for public consultation.

The link to review and comment on the proposals is:- <https://copythorne.englishrural.org.uk>

ERHA also sent a letter to residents local to the proposed site to ensure that they were specifically aware of the current proposals.

A copy of that letter has been added to all of the parish noticeboards.

Details were also included on the home page of our website <https://www.copythorne.org.uk> and posted on our Facebook Page.

The public consultation will close on December 13th 2021 although the website will still be able to be viewed after that date.

It is important to note that the public consultation is not a planning application, ERHA have indicated in the FAQ's within their website referenced above that this is likely to follow in the Spring of 2022.

Links to previous documents relating to the background of Affordable Housing in Copythorne can be found via the article on the home page of the Council's <https://www.copythorne.org.uk>

**David Rigby**  
Clerk to Copythorne Parish Council



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## GREENING



## COPYTHORNE

The Public Meeting on the 16th November was a great success and I would like to thank all those that attended and also those unable to attend but who have shown an interest in being involved in future events.

I would also like to thank the volunteers who were involved in the organisation of this meeting and the Empress of Blandings for hosting it.

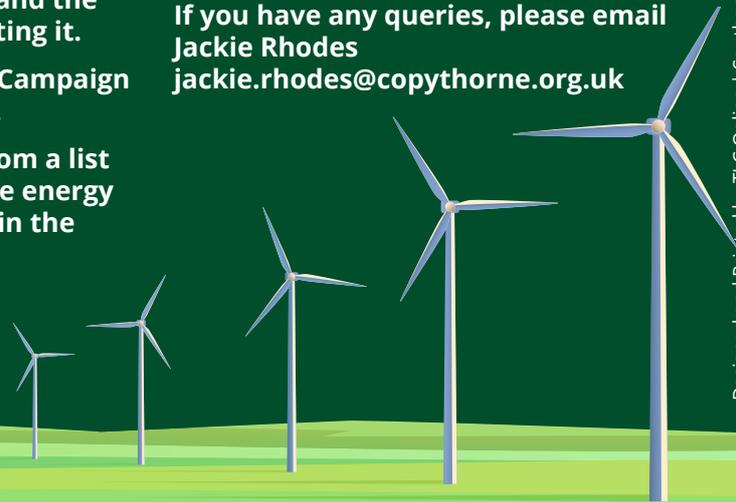
At the meeting the Greening Campaign was explained in more detail.

Those who attended chose from a list of simple challenges to reduce energy consumption and waste within the community.

These challenges will be shared with all households following a launch in March 2022 and everyone will be encouraged to make 5 changes - more information to follow!

There is now a 'Greening Copythorne' facebook page so please join to keep up to date with all the latest information.

If you have any queries, please email Jackie Rhodes  
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The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled to be held on **Tuesday December 14th 2021** in the Parish Hall.

Please check our website the week before to confirm the arrangements and view the agenda.

Details of individual Parish Councillors plus information on District and County Councillors may be found on the Parish Council website and on our community notice boards and information hubs. (the old red telephone boxes).

Printed copies are available from ♦ Forest Pharmacy ♦ Fourways Stores (Bartley Post Office) ♦ Budgens Woodington Feeds ♦ Coach and Horses, Compass Inn and The Empress of Blandings as well as the four information Hubs – the former red telephone boxes.