



# COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER: January 2022

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# HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR READERS 2022



## NEW MOBILE TELEPHONE MAST

We have now made contact with the agent who installed the 5G mast and his reply states the mast will soon be re-painted green providing the New Forest National Park Authority (NFNPA) give formal approval.

Previous conversations with the NFNPA have indicated they have no objection to this proposal and we hope this re-painting will be completed shortly.

## PARISH PHONE BOXES

A big thank you to those residents who have taken the trouble to remove the unwanted books from the kiosks.

Unfortunately another window has been smashed in one of the kiosks and those responsible have even taken the door handle.

The glass windows are in the process of being replaced with polycarbonate, these being more robust and resilient to ball bearing catapults and, hopefully, prove to be less of a target.



## PARISH FLOODING REMINDER

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

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.

Copies of the PFP are available on the Parish website.

All Flooding Advisory Committee members also 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 Clerk to the Council, David Rigby may be contacted by  
Post at: 9 The Cleaves, West Totton, Southampton SO40 8WL by Telephone 023 8112 0150 or  
via Email: [parishclerk@copythorne.org.uk](mailto:parishclerk@copythorne.org.uk) | Website: [www.copythorne.org.uk](http://www.copythorne.org.uk)



# NEW FOREST COUNCIL SERVICES

In Hampshire there are three tiers of councils:



**Hampshire**  
County Council

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/>



**New Forest**  
DISTRICT COUNCIL

<https://www.newforest.gov.uk/>



**COPYTHORNE**  
PARISH COUNCIL

<https://www.copythorne.org.uk/>

To help you know who to contact, NFDC have published a list of the main services on their website:

<https://newforest.gov.uk/article/2783/Council-services-list>

Note: In the National Park area of the New Forest, the National Park Authority are responsible for planning matters. NFDC are the planning authority for a small part of the Parish of Copythorne that sits beyond the A36 between Ower and Wellow.

## PARISH MEETING REPORT

The Parish Meeting, delayed from its usual annual March date was held at the Parish Hall on November 25th 2021.

A wide range of topics were covered including District & County Councillor updates; a policing in the parish report; Copythorne Community Speed Watch report; an update on possible Affordable Housing plans; the work of the Parish Pickers; Parish Hall Developments; Flooding in the Parish; Platinum Jubilee celebration plans; Community transport options; and Climate Emergency activities (Greening Copythorne).

Copies of all the reports presented at the meeting are now available on the Parish Council website via this link <https://www.copythorne.org.uk/council-meetings/> and scroll down to the meeting date.

If anyone without internet access would like a copy of a specific report then please contact me using the details at the foot of page 1.

**David Rigby,**  
Clerk to Copythorne Parish Council



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## GREENING



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Over the last couple of weeks people have been voting on which simple challenges they would like our community to do to reduce energy consumption and waste.

The votes are now in and the 8 challenges are:

- Turn off lights when leaving room (non-LED)
- Replace all bulbs with LEDs
- Wash laundry at 30 degC
- Line dry clothes in the summer
- Boil only the amount of water needed
- Turn the thermostat down by 1 degC
- Wash up using a bowl
- Halve your food waste by making a meal plan and using up leftovers

Cards listing these challenges will now

be printed for distribution to every household in the Copythorne Parish.

The big launch date for this activity is March 10th 2022 to give 3 months to get as many people aware of this campaign as possible. If you are a facebook user, please join our 'Greening Copythorne' group.



The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled to be held on **Tuesday January 11th 2022** 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.