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CHURCH CROOKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER



Thank you
for a
fabulous
Spring
festival
event

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Spring Festival Community Event

Thank you to everyone that contributed to such a fantastic Spring Festival event on 17th May 2025. We had fabulous feedback about the event this year and we cannot wait to do it all again next year!!

This event takes lots of organising to ensure that it runs smoothly and safely so a special thanks goes to all of the volunteers that came along to help on the day. Most of the Councillors gave a lot of their day to help in various posts, so a huge thank you to them. The scouts at 101st Church Crookham Scouts and some of the lovely people from the Vine Church came along to run the Craft Table on a voluntary basis too! Bruce and Jan from CAP Life Skills were there giving free cooking demos and filling our tummies with delicious food.

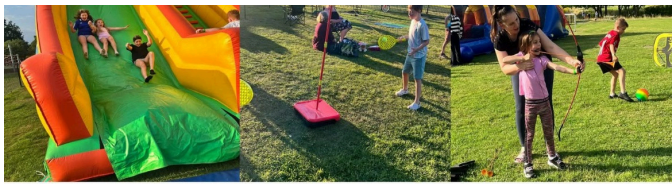
Thank you to all of the class providers that gave their time to bring you FREE taster classes throughout the event too; Ben from Frontline Skate, Little Kickers, Revive Tai Chi, Get Fit & Tone, Strength in Serenity, Cardio Fit with Vicki, Fleet Flyers and Kasia's Dog Training workshops.

We hope you all had a wonderful time!





Get involved – Upcoming events



The Church Crookham summer project offers **FREE** inflatables, team games, problem solving and youth issue related workshops and experiences.

This is one of our junior summer projects and is for young people up to 14 years old (please note that parents **MUST** stay if your child is under 8 years old).

FRIDAYS

Green open space
behind Church
Crookham Community
Centre, Boyce Road,
GU52 8AQ
6 - 7:30pm
Under 14's

Fleet Phoenix's 2025 Church
Crookham Summer Project starts
on **Friday 25th of July** and runs
until **Friday 29th of August**

For more information
please contact
lucy@fleetphoenix.co.uk

fleetphoenix.co.uk

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Cops 'n' Coffee - an event run by Hart South Police, specifically PCSO Sam Page. No need to book an appointment, just come along to the centre between 2-4pm with any questions or concerns, or just for a general chat with your local police team.

COPS n COFFEE

8th September

2pm - 4pm

Church Crookham Community Centre

Come and meet your local
Neighbourhood Policing Team

Enjoy a coffee, discuss
your concerns, get crime
prevention advice and tell
us our policing priorities.



Save time and report crimes online:
www.hampshire.police.uk
For crime and community information:
www.hampshirealert.co.uk



Fleet Phoenix are running the very popular Summer Project here again, every Friday during the summer holidays. With **FREE** Inflatables, team games, problem solving and youth related workshops and experiences, this is definitely one to check out over the summer.

The event will be held on the green behind the Church Crookham Community Centre every Friday 25th July - 29th August from 6pm - 7:30pm.

It will be suitable for all young people up to the age of 14* (* Parents must stay with all children under 8 years old)

Community Litter Pick Day

Save the Dates

31st JULY & 28th AUGUST

9:30am



Join us for a community litter pick day followed by
Cake at the Community Centre.

**** Location to be confirmed ****

-Litter Pickers & bag loops available to borrow
-Sweet treat for all Child participants



More info to follow on our Website and social media Channels

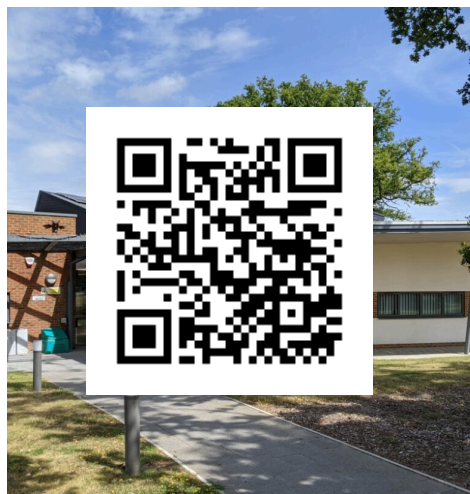
Litter picks are community events that we hold in line with the school holidays, so our smaller helpers can come along too. Keep an eye out on our community notice boards, social media channels, E-Newsletter and website for more information on these events.





Get involved – Regular updates

Make sure you are following our social media channels for regular updates on what's happening in your local community. We are now on Instagram and Facebook! If you are not on social media, check out our NEW mailing list subscription below. Regular updates will be sent via email to all subscribers. If neither of these appeal to you, you can also check out our website <https://churchcrookham.org.uk/> If you do not use the internet, landline numbers can be found on Page 8.



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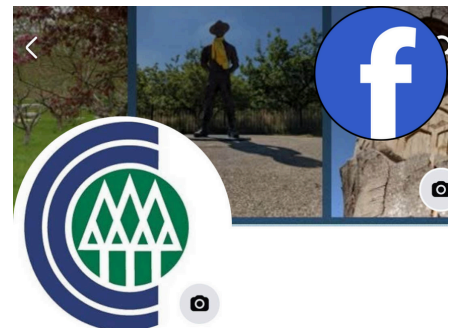
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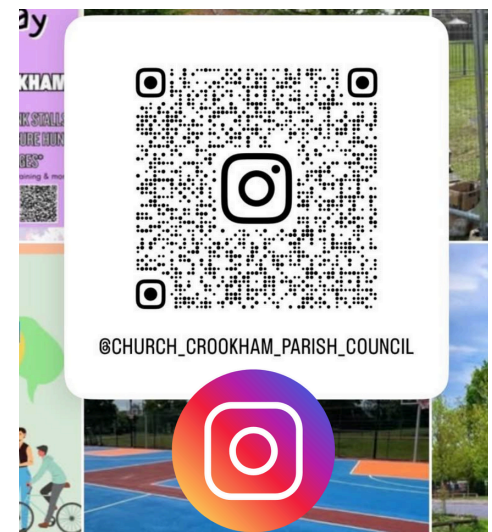
 

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Celebrating 10 years of Church Crookham Community Centre!

We can't believe we have been in the Church Crookham Community Centre for 10 years! The Centre opened in August 2015 after Parish Councillors worked with architects to design and build an ambitious, beautiful and accessible building at the heart of the community.



Pictures taken at the opening of Church Crookham Community Centre in August 2015

More than

500

Children pass through Crookham Sunshines PreSchool with the first children now in Year 8!

In 10 years we have had....

More than

16,000

Weekly Classes use our facilities. From Aerobics to Yoga; Baby classes to youth groups; Sound baths to Football.

More than

1,700

Celebrations at the centre. Including, Baby Showers, Birthday Parties, Religious celebrations, Gender Reveals and more!

To mark such a momentous occasion, we have had a new logo created depicting all of the wonderful landmarks of Church Crookham. You will see this logo strip featured in digital and print communications in the future.





Council Changes – New Councillor Vacancy

A Councillor vacancy has recently arisen due to the resignation of Cllr Nick Baskett (pictured).

Nick served on the Parish Council for two years and made a valuable contribution to the decisions made by the Council as a whole. When he was volunteering at our recent Spring Festival, Nick commented that "seeing the decisions that we make at our Monday night meetings come to life at an event such as this one has made being part of the team worthwhile!" Our thanks to Nick and the contribution he made.



So, the question is, would you like to join our team of volunteer Councillors and make a difference to your community?

If you are interested in finding out more, feel free to speak to your Parish Clerk, Claire for more information. Call **01252 939450** or email clerk@churchcrookham.org.uk. There will be an application form to complete and the closing date for applications will be 5pm on 18th July, for consideration at the 28th July Parish Council meeting.

Grants awarded

As we approach the end of the first quarter of the new financial year, we are pleased to report that we have awarded a number of grants to local organisations and charities.

These support the wellbeing of our local community and include:



Awarded: £1,500

This grant will help as support towards their summer camps for disabled children within Church Crookham.



Awarded: £1,015

This grant will help to provide health and wellbeing education to our local infant schools.



Awarded: £1,000

This grant will help towards the re-build of their fence to keep their site safe and secure.



Awarded: £180

Annual Support of the Poppy Appeal





Have your say on reorganising local Councils

Hampshire County Council (HCC) plans to ask you what you think about local government reorganisation this summer. This will mean replacing HCC and Hart District Council and creating a new unitary authority with neighbouring areas. You will then receive all your services from one Council.



HCC has said that it will publicise the consultation on social media and via newspapers and TV and radio stations. We have stressed the importance of them consulting people who don't use social media.

If you are not on the internet and want to be told when the consultation is launched and how you can reply, please contact the Parish Council on 01252 626793 or speak to any of your local Parish Councillors.

Unadopted land & safety issues

The Parish Council is talking to a number of local organisations to understand who owns, and is responsible for managing some parcels of land in Church Crookham.

For example, there have been issues raised by residents who live next to the footpath behind Ferndale Road, in particular problems relating to the trees. The footpath itself is managed by Hampshire County Council, but they only clear the path. The Parish Council has been investigating the ownership of the land but has not been able to establish this yet. We have also sought legal advice about what legal rights and potential future liabilities we would have if we take over managing this land. Our top priority is to ensure that the footpath is safe for residents to use and that the adjoining properties are not at risk.



Therefore, the Parish Council is looking to assume what is called 'adverse possession' of this land, to ensure that it is managed safely for everyone's benefit. We won't be able to accept liability for historic problems, but we will be looking to ensure that this path is safe going forward. In order to do this, we have asked a tree safety expert to look at the trees that line the path and are not actively managed by other parties. If any urgent tree works are required, the Parish Council will seek to do that, based on the outcome of the survey.

If you have any knowledge about who owns this land, or would be against the Parish Council seeking adverse possession of this land, please contact us on 01252 626793 or email clerk@churchcrookham.org.uk.





Tree & Ditch works



You will recall a social media post from back in early February that Taylor Wimpey have to carry out works to rectify the water courses within the Crookham Park development. They had to apply for Tree Preservation Orders to remove a number of mature trees to the rear of the open space behind the community centre.

The trees themselves sit within the SANG (Suitable Alternative Green Space). Hart District Council has approved the tree removals, but the Parish Council is pleased to report that the developer is obliged to replace the trees on a 1:1 basis.

We will be working with Taylor Wimpey and the local school to ensure that trees are planted as close to the original trees as possible and supporting development of a Forest School at Tweseldown Infants.

Please note that this work is planned for week commencing 28th July and there may be access restrictions to the woodland for safety reasons. This has been planned to avoid school term time as this is a busy route for the school run.

The ditch work will follow but we will keep you updated on our social media so don't forget to follow us.....





Which Council do I contact?



Hampshire
County Council

0300 555 1375

www.hants.gov.uk

- Adults & Childrens Services
- Education
- Waste
- Bus Permits
- Highways & pavements
- Recycling
- Blue Badges
- Libraries
- Transport
- Street Lighting
- Trading Standards



01252 622122

enquiries@hart.gov.uk

www.hart.gov.uk

- Abandoned Vehicles
- Car Parks & Parking Fines
- Housing
- Bin collection & Fly Tipping
- Electoral registration
- Planning consent & building control
- Council Tax
- Environmental Health
- Street Cleaning
- Hart Leisure Centre



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- Allotments
- Athletics Track
- Basketball & Tennis Courts
- Church Crookham Community Centre
- Floral Displays
- Community Grants
- Gally Hill War Memorial
- Football Pitches
- Peter Driver
- Noticeboards
- Play Parks
- Skate Park
- Sensory Garden



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Key Diary Dates..

Planning committee meetings

- 23rd June
- 14th & 28th July
- 11th August

Full Council meetings

- 23rd June
- 28th July
- 22nd Sept

Finance & policy meetings

- 14th July

Community Events

- 31st Jul-28th Aug Community Litter Picks
- 25th Jul-29th Aug Fleet Phoenix Fridays
- 29th August 10 year Celebration
- 8th September Cops & coffee Event

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Gareth Saunders – Chair

Annette Whibley – Vice Chair

Alan Jones – Cllr

Debbie Moss – Cllr

Kate Stewart – Cllr

Bruce Bulgin – Cllr

Michael Burford – Cllr

Gill Thomas – Cllr

John Ford – Cllr

Vacancy – Cllr

HALLS TO HIRE



Looking for a venue?

With two beautiful halls & a good sized meeting room, Church Crookham Community Centre is sure to meet the needs of your event or class. The Centre is a vibrant, busy community hub which is situated at the heart of Crookham Park, surrounded by beautiful green spaces.

Prices start from just £7.66 per hour.

Contact Christie at events@churchcrookham.org.uk or call **01252 626793** for more info.



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