

Bourton-on-the-Water Parish Council

Parish Council notes from the Parish Council Meeting on 7th June 2023.

County Councillor Paul Hodgkinson

The A429 will be resurfaced either side of the Northleach traffic lights over the next 6 weeks and further resurfacing will also take place between Bourton and Northleach. Please report any potholes online at <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/highways/roads/your-highways-report-it/>

Work has started on the new road at the Air Balloon roundabout, although actual construction work will not start until September. The Cheltenham to Seven Springs road remains closed for works until September.

Cllr Hodgkinson has been elected as Cotswold District Council's Cabinet Member for Health, Leisure and Culture. Bourton Leisure Centre now comes under his remit so please send him any comments or concerns.

District Councillor Len Wilkins (Bourton Vale)

Joe Harris has been re-elected as Council Leader and Mike Evemy as Deputy Council Leader. Councillor Wilkins will sit on the Audit Committee.

District Councillor Jon Wareing (Bourton Village)

Cllr Wareing will sit on CDC's Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Short Term Lets Committee. Cotswold District Council has been asked to consider using the Rissington Road car park as a potential solution for coach parking. There will be a further meeting to discuss the coach park in July.

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Paintwork refresh: The Cemetery's Lych Gate and the Baptist Cemetery gate have had a new coat of paint, along with some of our benches in the village, and they are all looking very smart!

Rye Crescent Play Area: Plans are being progressed to refurbish the site with new equipment. Residents will be invited to attend a meeting at the play area to give input and discuss ideas for new play equipment design.

Youth Club: The Monday evening sessions have moved to a new venue at The British Legion Hall for the summer term. Junior sessions for age 8 to Year 6 run from 6pm to 7.30pm and Senior sessions for Year 7+ run from 7.30pm-9pm. The sessions in July are:

3rd July – Chocolate activities

10th July – Summer craft and sports

17th July – Design and make your own emoji

The club will be closed for the summer holidays from 24th July to 28th August.

Small Grants: We will be considering applications for small grants up to £1,000 during September. If you would like to make an application please use the form on our website <http://www.bourtononthewaterpc.org.uk/community/bourton-on-the-water-parish-council-7919/grants/>. All applications should be submitted to the Clerk by 20th August. We have taken the decision not to offer any large grants this financial year, but this will be reviewed for 2024-25.

Maintenance Tasks: Please look out for our contractor David Perry who has taken on litter picking and some maintenance tasks for the Parish Council since the retirement of Peter Pulham. David has been working for us as weekly play area inspector for the last two years and has agreed to take on these extra tasks for us.

Next Meeting Date: The next Parish Council Meeting will be held at 7pm on Wednesday 5th July in the Windrush Room at The George Moore Community Centre. All residents are welcome.

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