

TWO VILLAGES

OUR COMMUNITY MAGAZINE

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AND BUSINESSES IN AND AROUND OUR VILLAGES



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Coffee & Crafts Morning
With Egg Hunt
at the Glebe Centre, Crawley Down
SAT 5 APR ♦ 10-12NOON
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8th May 2025
“THE BIG VILLAGE PARTY”
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A LIVING HOPE

*“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ...” 1 Peter 1:3*

HE IS RISEN: CELEBRATING THE JOY OF EASTER

It is so good to see how, slowly, signs of spring are starting to appear - buds on the trees, the warmth of the sun, the reminder sounds of birds chirping. Easter eggs have also long been symbols of birth and renewal in many European cultures. Additionally, as hens resume laying eggs regularly in spring, and eggs were traditionally forbidden during Lent, decorating and eating them became a natural and festive way to celebrate Easter.

Easter is always a reminder that hope is not lost. Just as winter gives way to spring, the resurrection of Jesus brings new life, light and renewal. And when the season of Lent draws to a close, we arrive at the most glorious and hope-filled day of the Christian calendar - Easter Sunday. This is the day when we proclaim "He is risen! He is risen indeed!" It is a time of renewal, celebration and deep reflection on our hope in Christ.

Lent is a season of preparation, repentance and spiritual growth. For forty days, we are invited to draw closer to God through prayer, fasting, and acts of charity. It is a time of self-examination where we renew our commitment to living according to the

teachings of Jesus. Whether we give something up or take on a new spiritual discipline, Lent serves as a journey that leads us on a journey to encounter the reality of Good Friday and ultimately to the joy of the resurrection - the fulfilment of God's promise of redemption. As we follow the journey through Lent, to Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday and ultimately Jesus' resurrection on Easter Sunday, we are reminded of the boundless love and grace that God has for each of us. The empty tomb is a testament to the power of God's love, a sign of new life.

As we gather in worship and fellowship, we are called to reflect that Easter is not only about reflection on an event in time; it is an invitation to live transformed lives, filled with the hope and joy of Christ. The resurrection assures us that no matter the challenges we face, we have the promise of eternal life and the presence of our risen Saviour guiding us each day. Easter is therefore a time when we are called to share good news of Christ's resurrection with those around us, demonstrating His love through acts of kindness, compassion and service. May our hearts be filled with the same joy the disciples felt when they encountered the risen Lord, and may we continue to walk in the light of his presence and hope.

Wishing you and your family a blessed and joyous Easter!

He is risen indeed!

Rev'd Christine, Vicar

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We're pleased to say we are continuing with the "meet and greet" afternoons on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 2pm at the Haven Centre.

Mostly in the Birch Room with refreshments, or the Lounge Bar where a drink can be purchased. The Monday Club is kindly lending us the use of their collection of games, but there is no pressure to play!

Sue Pearson



TURNERS HILL FREE
CHURCH

"If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved". *Romans 10:9*



SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

We welcome you to our Sunday morning service which starts at 10am. Everyone is welcome, all ages, and Sunday school is available for primary school aged children.

LITTLE ANGELS PARENT, BABY & TODDLER GROUP

If you have a baby or toddler, why not join us on a **Tuesday from 10-11.30am**.

It's a **FREE** group and a great place to meet other parents, grandparents, chat and enjoy free refreshments.



For more information and the latest updates please go to <https://thfchurch.org/>

Turners Hill Free Church are on social media. If you are interested in keeping up with what we do, or see pictures of events, then head over to Turners Hill Free Church page on Facebook, X (formerly Twitter) or Instagram.

Email : admin@thfchurch.org



CRAWLEY DOWN LADIES CHOIR



Greetings to one and all with hopeful signs of Spring in the garden as the snowdrops form their drifts of white heads and the daffodils push up towards the sky waiting, like us, for warmer days to come.

On 17th February, the choir held their Annual General Meeting; six of the seven committee members were unanimously voted back in, the seventh having stepped down for personal reasons after many years of serving as a valued committee member as well as past Treasurer.

The choir is fortunate to have such a dedicated group of ladies willing to give of their time and expertise to keep the choir running smoothly. Like the proverbial swan, we ostensibly glide serenely along whilst underneath we are paddling furiously making things happen.

Following the AGM we finished the evening with a social, everyone brought something to eat and drink whilst having a good old natter. A chance for informality and for friendships to flourish.

Two light-hearted quizzes were also provided which exercised our brains somewhat but proved very popular and entertaining. The Annual Choir Meal is currently at the planning stage.

We continue to practice at 7.30pm on Mondays in the Birch Room at The Haven Centre

Our Summer concert on Saturday 14th June will take place in the Dorothy Hatswell hall. More detail to follow so "Watch This Space"!

As ever we offer a warm and friendly welcome to new members, both alto and soprano voices. Our members come from not only Crawley Down village itself but from many of the other local villages, Copthorne, Felbridge, Turners Hill as well as East Grinstead, Pound Hill and even from Horley in the past.

We sing a broad range of music. New pieces we are practising for this concert include "Viva La Vida" by Coldplay and "I Say a Little Prayer", a hit for both Dionne Warwick and Aretha Franklin.

WHY NOT JOIN US?

See our website for further details - crawleydownladieschoir.co.uk

Freda Morse (Secretary, CD Ladies Choir)

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LOCAL GROUP

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On **Wed 30th April**, we meet for a lecture on the *"impact of climate change on UK wildlife"* by **Iain Boulton**.

On **Wed 28th May** **Chris Collins** takes us *"Around the World in 80 Minutes"*.

Meetings start at 7.30pm for an 8pm lecture.

There are several Outdoor Walks organised, all detailed on the website, along with full details of everything else and contact numbers if you want to chat.

We hope to introduce some more half day trips – watch the website for details.

Come join us, you are most welcome!

www.rspb.org.uk/groups/egrinstead



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There are usually 8-12 of us at The Haven Centre and we are a "user friendly" group. We can teach newbies how to knit or crochet, and help you choose patterns and yarn. **So do come along, get a coffee from the Café and join in the fun!**



Sue Dickenson

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Saturday 19th April 2025

Celebrate Easter with us by breathing new life into your treasured items in need of repair.

Saturday 17th May 2025

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Find us in the Community Centre,
Forest Row, RH18 5DZ. 10am-1pm,
last orders at 12.30pm.

**REPAIR
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REPAIR CAFÉ Crawley Down & Turners Hill

Once a month the Repair Cafe brings together local people who have things that need repairing with local people who can repair them.

The next meeting is :

Sat 26th April at The Glebe Centre, Crawley Down

All meetings start at 10am and run until 12noon on the 4th Saturday of each month

There's no charge for repairs, any donations are given to local charities and good causes.

We are currently inviting suggestions for deserving local organisations that would benefit from a donation.

If you have nothing to repair, you can enjoy a cup of tea or coffee; or you can volunteer and lend a hand with someone else's repair.

Repairing is fun and good for the planet.

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For further details contact Ian Gibson on 01342 716790

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By the time this magazine is published we will have had our AGM and the committee and officers will be in place. It is unlikely that there will be any major changes; Jill Burton is still our President with me staying as Secretary.

March was a busy month with events organised by the West Sussex Federation. Our own Sylvia Billings, long time resident of Turners Hill, was recognised at an event to mark International Women's Day for her outstanding contribution to Hilltop WI over 62 years. She was President in 1972, 1973, 1987 and 1988 and Treasurer in 1980, 1981, 1984 and 1985. She is very well thought of at Hilltop and a mine of information on events from the past.

Another event which some members enjoyed was a musical afternoon with singer, Andrew Bourn, in Horsham. We are fortunate that the West Sussex headquarters has moved to Horsham making these events more accessible to this part of the county.

On 16th April we look forward to ex detective, Steve Lewis, coming to tell us "How to Solve a Murder"! – let's hope we never have to put that into practice!!

In May we will vote for whichever resolution received most votes in January across the country, and we will decide whether to support it or not. The majority of ladies at Hilltop voted for "Bystanders can be Life Savers" – a call to increase confidence and training in the delivery of CPR and the use of defibrillators. We are hoping to have someone at this meeting to demonstrate to us how they work. We are very lucky to have several around our two villages although, of course, we hope they will never be needed.

Please check out the website www.turnershillwi.co.uk where you can see our full programme for 2025. We would love to welcome some new members so if you have any interest in finding out what this local WI is about, please come along and give us a try. You will be given a very warm welcome.

We meet in the Dove Suite at The Ark on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm.

Mary Deacon, Secretary, Hilltop WI
01342 715303 / mail@marydeacon.co.uk

We started the New Year on a keep fit theme where Rosemary Flint, a local physiotherapist, led us in a "Wobble" class; Wobble is a seated exercise class set to music. All our members seemed to enjoy themselves and it made a nice change from our usual meeting - something good to do at this time of the year when we are not getting out as much.

In February Frankie Goodall came to talk to us about St. Catherine's Hospice. They have recently moved into their new premises at Pease Pottage which is set in light and airy grounds with a coffee shop (Woodgate Hub) attached offering food and drink for anyone to visit. We were surprised to hear that they cover a large area in Surrey and Sussex, from Croydon to Billingshurst. Like many other hospices they are struggling financially and have the space and beds to accommodate more patients if they had the funds. Some of us are planning a visit to the coffee shop.

A warm welcome to new members who have recently joined us. We would like to welcome more members to our friendly group where we enjoy hearing speakers and many other events.

You can read about our monthly plans on the village notice board.

We meet at The Glebe Centre on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 2pm.

If you would like further information, please contact Kay Webb 07415 829997 or Jean Wakeling 01342 712834.

Jackie Kaldenberg, CD Afternoon WI

We had a fascinating talk and presentation on 6th February by Aimee Blattman-Esswood and her colleague Maggie Marshall, entitled "Magistrates Court in the Community". Aimee had been a Magistrate for many years and is a trained mediator in the family court. She explained that people between the ages of 18 and less than 70 years can apply to become a JP, except for those employed in the police force, have a criminal record or have been made bankrupt. Aimee explained that candidates undergo a prolonged interview process and extensive training over a period of about twelve months prior to their first appointment. Magistrates are not legally qualified, but they do have access to a qualified legal adviser at all times. Three Magistrates sit on the bench, one being the lead and the other two observing, but not speaking. Sentences imposed in the Magistrates' Court are limited to a maximum of six months imprisonment (per offence), community sentences or fines of up to £5,000. However, longer term sentences for more serious crimes can be imposed in the Crown Court.

To conclude the evening, our members were asked to volunteer to take a more active role to assist in a mock trial of two young offenders charged with shoplifting. We had to form a bench, play the role of witnesses, defence and prosecution lawyers plus the defendants. Initially defendants appear in court to be formally charged with each offence and are asked to enter a plea. After hearing all the evidence we were asked to close our eyes and to put up our hands when we thought that the two defendants were guilty, not guilty or we were not sure. The outcome was very interesting. We all thoroughly enjoyed an evening with a difference as it was both informative and very entertaining at the same time.

By the time this issue of *Two Villages* has gone to print, we will have held our AGM on 6th March and our committee will be confirmed along with a presentation of our Annual Report and Balance Sheet; the meeting will be followed by a social evening.

We meet at The Glebe Centre on the 1st Thursday of the month at 7.30pm.

If you would like any further information, please contact our President, Anne Horrell, on 01342 719632.

Jean Ford, CD Evening WI

TURNERS HILL PARK RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION



Our park is waking up from Winter and the recent Spring like weather has encouraged this with Daffodils

and Crocus appearing in our gardens and at the entrance.

Our Park Team are working hard and have plans to build more flower beds around the park. We shall look very smart indeed.

The Deer have been very noticeable around the park, and the above photograph shows a group on Siskin Avenue.

The Residents Association committee are preparing for our AGM, which is due to be held in April, following which we shall be looking to arrange further coffee mornings for our residents, when we hope to be able to bring further advice on scams and cold calling as well as other information.

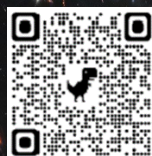
CRAWLEY ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

Is your interest Astronomy and would you like to meet fellow enthusiasts? If it is, then come and join us at Crawley Astronomical Society.

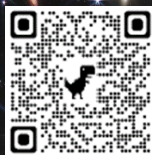
Meetings are held on the 3rd Friday of the month, with expert guest speakers, in the Birch Room at the Haven Centre, Hophurst Lane, Crawley Down, RH10 4LJ from 7-10pm. All are welcome!

We also hold regular outreach events at our "STARLAB" Observatory and can provide expert and friendly help and advice on all things astronomy.

For more information, please contact Stephen Cookson at crawleyastronomicalsociety@gmail.com or phone 07474 344309



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Crawley Down Camera Club

A friendly local club held on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month at the Haven Centre from 8-10pm.

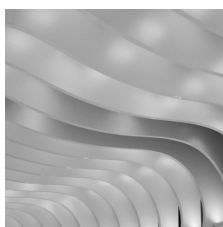
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THE ARTS SOCIETY TURNERS HILL

We are pleased to offer two more excellent talks in April and May:

Tuesday 22nd April Simon Whitehouse talks on
"Wilde about Oscar - Famous for being
Famous (and Infamous)"

Tuesday 27th May Hilary Williams talks on
"The Frick Collection, New York
- A Feast for the Eyes"

The talks start at 10.50am but coffee is served from 10.15am. We continue to meet at the Dunlop Hall in the Ark at Turners Hill. The meetings commence with coffee and finish, if you wish to stay after the talk, with a buffet lunch and glass of wine in the Dove Suite for an extra £10.

Visitors are welcome to the talk for a small fee of £7, and **WE ARE TAKING NEW MEMBERS.**

For more details look at our website

[HTTPS://THEARTSSOCIETYTURNERSHILL.ORG.UK/](https://theartsocietyturnershill.org.uk/)



Contact me and I will forward any links. We would love you to join us!

Lesley Croucher (Chairman)
01342 716831 / lcroucher@btinternet.com



TURNERS HILL C of E SCHOOL

KEY STAGE 1 SPORTS FESTIVAL



Some of our Key Stage 1 children took part in a Sports Festival at Imberhorne School. They learnt how to play Bocce and New Age Kurling, and then had the opportunity to play some games against other schools.

It was a great event and the children were very good at both games!

HOLLY CLASS AFTERNOON TEA WITH MRS EVANS



The children in Holly class invited Mrs Evans (a longstanding volunteer at our school) for afternoon tea – it was lovely to treat Mrs Evans to thank her for all her years dedicated to helping our school.

HARRY POTTER WORKSHOP

Our Key Stage 2 children had a spellbinding time during their Harry Potter day as the school was transformed into a mini Hogwarts. Not only did they master the art of Quidditch, but they even made their own brooms.



A huge thank you to Sarah Brackpool and helpers, who were nothing short of magical mentors. Their time and expertise were invaluable, and we are incredibly grateful for their contribution.

CRAWLEY DOWN VILLAGE C of E SCHOOL



YEAR 2 - AFRICA

Year 2 are having so much fun this term in Africa! We have fully immersed ourselves into our topic, learning as much as we can about Africa.

We began our topic by taking a 'flight' to Kenya. We have been comparing the climate, landscape and living conditions. In our English lessons we wrote a poem where we pretended we were a lion and used its five senses to imagine what it would be like from a lion's perspective prowling around the Savannah desert. We have enriched our learning

We have studied the art of an African artist – Martin Bulinya, whose paintings show groups of Massai people in lots of different situations and poses on simple backgrounds. We had lots of fun recreating our own pieces of art and are proud of the art gallery we have created on our display boards.

We have been using globes and atlases in Geography to learn about the physical features of the continent Africa and taken a further in depth look at Kenya. We used this country to compare life style and weather with England.

We are looking forward to continuing our topic this half term, and excited to learn some African Dance in our PE lessons.



1ST TURNERS HILL AND CRAWLEY DOWN SCOUT GROUP

The Group sections have mostly had indoor meetings so far this year and their programmes have included Emergency Aid, The Chinese New Year, Nature, Music Night, Learning about St David, Visits from our PCSO's (apologies to our neighbours if you were affected by the blues and twos), Setting their own personal challenges, stars, constellations and planets, tangrams, making yoghurt pot bird feeders, inventing machines using scrap materials and of course Pancakes.

Our two Beaver Colonies plus 1st Forest Row Beavers combined for a sleepover at Broadstone Warren. A total of 32 Beaver Scouts and 10 Adults attended this activity which had a Wild West theme so plenty of cowboy outfits, hobby horses and lassoes. There was also the camp fire and toasted marshmallows (in the rain of course). Combining all three Colonies together enables the young people to see that Scouting is a wider organisation than just our Group and make new friendships. It also helps with getting extra adults in to run activities.

The Squirrel Drey celebrated their first birthday with a meeting of party games and of course a cake decorated with the Squirrel Scout badge made of icing.

Plans have been made for Scout Troop and Cub Pack camps in May and July and we hope for some dry weather for these.

We always seem to end our reports with a plea for more adult volunteers to join us so that we can offer Scouting to more young people in our villages and this is no different. THE CUB SCOUT PACKS AND THE SCOUT TROOP ARE IN THE MOST DESPERATE NEED - BUT NO OFFER OF HELP IS REFUSED.

Contacts : vicky.teasdale@egscouts or rha23haw@btinternet.com



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**New Members Welcome
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For the 2025 Season, we will be running two Saturday Senior Teams in the Sussex Cricket League plus a Sunday senior/ junior team who play friendly fixtures.

Senior Players interested in joining the club should email
epurcellcdcc@gmail.com

There will be several junior teams in 2025:

- ♦ ECB All Stars cricket for children aged 4 (reception year) - 8 years
- ♦ Dynamos for children aged 9-11 years
- ♦ Dynamos children will also be able to play in the Sussex Under 10 softball league (and aged 11 can still play in this league)
- ♦ Hardball junior cricket for Under 13s and 15s

All boys and girls are welcome to play

**Please email Scott Clark for further
details at CDCC-juniors@outlook.com**



SHORT MAT BOWLS

AT THE ARK, TURNERS HILL

THU : 1 - 5PM AND FRI 12.30 - 4.30PM

Short Mat bowls is played on a 45ft long by 6ft wide professionally supplied carpet. Biased bowls are used which are the same/similar to bowls used on outdoor and indoor greens. A 32oz jack is placed on a centre line and teams take it in turns to place their bowl(s) nearest the jack, avoiding a wooden block in the centre of the mat.

We have purchased two carpets with mats, jacks and all necessary equipment and have some bowls of different sizes for people to try.

The only requirement is a pair of flat soled shoes and comfortable clothing. Up to 8 people can play per mat.

We are looking to expand numbers so we can look at friendly games against other clubs.

Trial sessions are £2 where we show the basics of the mat, equipment and bowls, and followed by a few practice ends and a short game. Tea coffee and biscuits also provided.

For further details, please contact Michael on 07549 327107 or email michaelk1960.mk@gmail.com

WORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Newsletter - Spring 2025



WORTH PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

After what seems a particularly long winter, it's wonderful to be seeing the first signs of spring starting to appear at last. This year promises to be an interesting one, in part due to potential changes to the way we are represented at district and county level. The government is holding a consultation seeking views on a proposal to form a Mayoral Combined County Authority for the local government areas of East Sussex, West Sussex and Brighton, and we will of course be

keeping a close eye on how this might affect everyone in Worth Parish.

Finally, we said goodbye recently to Drew Sewell, our Youth Support Worker. I'd like to thank Drew for his efforts and of course to wish him all the best for the future.

*Councillor Tony Dorey
Chairman, Worth Parish Council*

CCTV

Work is continuing towards the installation of CCTV equipment in both Crawley Down and Cophthorne. Part of this project will involve entering into the Sussex Public Facing CCTV Partnership, which will lead to them monitoring the CCTV images on behalf of the Parish Council. In Crawley Down, the equipment will be sited on Station Road, in front of the Memorial Car Park.

This means that Worth Parish Council and Sussex Police would be considered Joint Data Processors under the Data Protection Act and General Data Protection Regulations. The

intention is that Council staff and Councillors will NOT have any access to the footage. Instead, Sussex Police would monitor the CCTV, with only those staff specifically trained and authorised being able to access the live footage and to review recorded footage where appropriate.

A new CCTV Policy and a set of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) have been drafted and once reviewed by Sussex Police and approved by Council they will be published on our website. These will hopefully help answer any questions you may have.

SPEEDING IN THE VILLAGE

Speedwatch are still in desperate need of volunteers and are appealing for more to come forward. Being a volunteer can involve as little as one hour every two or three weeks, although if you'd like to do more that would of course be welcomed.

For more information, please go to communityspeedwatch.co.uk and click on Register/Join an Existing Group. Alternatively, you can email Steve O'Connell of Sussex Police at Stephen.oconnell@sussex.pnn.police.uk

They now have 2,500 volunteers across Sussex, with 190 Parish Councils and 15 Wardens carrying out Community Speedwatch initiatives. They issue 5,000 letters per month to drivers for speeding; from this they only have a repeat offender rate of less than 5% out of the 60,000 or so letters sent over the year, which means drivers really do take notice.

If you witness speeding in and around the village, you can report it via Operation Crackdown at operationcrackdown.org

THE HAVEN CENTRE

The recent refurbishments at the Haven Centre are extremely impressive, and have made this excellent facility even more of a go-to location for everyone in the village. The Parish Council would like to congratulate everyone involved,

including of course the many local volunteers who have given their time and effort along the way. The Haven Centre stands as a wonderful testament to what can be achieved when the community comes together in such a way.

CRAWLEY DOWN ALLOTMENTS

Worth Parish Council has a number of available allotments in Crawley Down, just off Station Road. If you're interested in renting one, please contact us on 01342 713 407 or via email at astclerk@worth-pc.gov.uk.

Plots in various sizes are available.

We welcome organised visits to the view the allotments, but we politely request that we are notified of such visits in advance.

THE CIVILITY AND RESPECT PLEDGE

Worth Parish Council is proud to have taken the Civility and Respect Pledge, demonstrating our commitment to promoting a culture of respect, inclusivity and positive working practices.

By signing the pledge, we affirm our dedication to ensuring that councillors, staff and the community are treated with courtesy and dignity. The pledge highlights our zero-

tolerance approach to bullying, harassment and intimidation, while supporting ongoing training, robust policies and best practices. Together, we are creating a safer, more respectful environment where everyone's voice is valued.

WORTH PARISH YOUTH CLUBS

As some of you may already know, we recently said goodbye to Youth Support Worker Drew Sewell. He has been instrumental in setting up our Youth Club activities in Crawley Down and Copthorne, and we wish him all the best for the future. We are actively recruiting for replacements, but in the meantime some sessions will be overseen by volunteer councillors.

Our Youth Clubs in both Crawley Down and Copthorne continue on a weekly basis.

WE'RE LOOKING FOR YOUTH CLUB VOLUNTEERS FROM WITHIN THE COMMUNITY TO HELP AT EITHER CRAWLEY DOWN, COPTHORNE OR BOTH. INDIVIDUALS WILL NEED TO HAVE A VALID DBS CHECK WHICH THE PARISH COUNCIL WILL PAY FOR. If you're a friendly, enthusiastic individual and can spare a few hours a week, we'd love to hear from you. Just call 01342 713407 or email us at enquiries@worth-pc.gov.uk

You can keep up to date with everything Youth related by following us on Instagram or Facebook.

Our Youth Clubs run:

Mon : 3.30-5.30pm at THE HAVEN CENTRE in Crawley Down

Wed : 4-6pm at THE PAVILION in Copthorne

Worth Parish Youth Clubs are for children in Year 5 and up. They are completely FREE!

Please book your children into the club using the [IPAL booking system](#) so we can take registers and sign the children in and out. Please ensure your child also has a drink and **ANY SNACKS PROVIDED MUST BE NUT FREE.**

<https://worthparishyouth.ipalbookings.com/>

Please note, we have a limit on numbers at each Youth Club due to adult/child ratios. **PLEASE CHECK THERE IS SPACE FOR YOUR CHILD BEFORE LEAVING.**



CRAWLEY DOWN COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

Have you ever thought about getting more involved in your local community, and taking part in an activity that makes a genuine difference to life in Crawley Down?

Many people already come along and take part in litter-picks, and we would like to hear from anyone who would be interested in becoming one of the co-ordinators of future Community Clean-Ups in the village, which are currently held approximately 4-6 times per year.

Volunteer co-ordinator duties would include collecting and returning equipment (you would need a car for this),

providing guidance and support to other litter-pickers and making sure safety and admin requirements are met.

Litter-picking events are great fun. They're held at weekends and are supported by individuals, couples and families. They offer a chance to get out and about in the village and provide a vital service to the local community.

If you're interested in becoming a co-ordinator, or indeed if you'd like to be added to our expanding list of volunteer litter-pickers, please message us at enquiries@worth-pc.gov.uk or call 01342 713407.

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FORTHCOMING MEETING DATES

You can view future meetings and agendas for all forthcoming meetings and the minutes of meetings that have already been held on our website at www.worth-pc.gov.uk and click on Council Meetings.

PARISH COUNCILLOR CONTACT DETAILS

Please see https://www.worth-pc.gov.uk/Councillors_and_CouncilOfficers_20107.aspx for a list of Parish Councillors. To assist compliance with data protection, any email contact regarding Council matters should be made via the email addresses given on the website.

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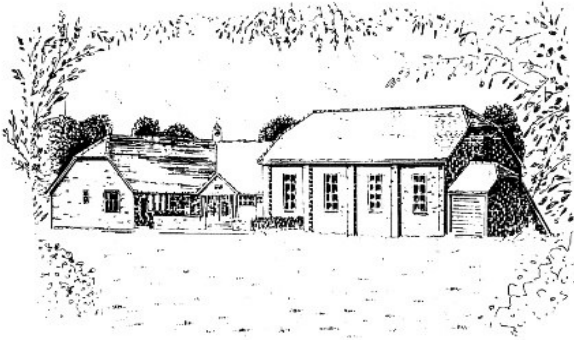
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Newsletter - April/May 2025

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www.turnershillparishcouncil.gov.uk

The Parish Council Office is open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday between 10am and 2pm, but a message can be left at any time or an email sent to the above address. Before visiting, we encourage you to phone ahead to ensure we are available because meetings during office hours are sometimes unavoidable.

Council meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month starting at 7.30pm, with 15 minutes for public participation. You are very welcome to join us for part or all of any meeting.

The agenda is displayed in advance on the village notice board and on our website. Our next meetings are on Tuesdays 1st April and 6th May 2025.

Charlotte Jim, Clerk to the Council

PARISH COUNCIL

Francesca Lutman was officially co-opted and warmly welcomed onto the Parish Council during the March meeting. The Council looks forward to working with Francesca and benefiting from her contributions moving forward.

The Community Highways Scheme (CHS) application for improvements to the pedestrian crossing facility on Lion Lane, has been approved for inclusion into West Sussex County Council's works programme and progressed to feasibility and design, which will be carried out across the financial year 2025/26. Responsibility for progressing this proposal now sits with WSCC's Highways Improvements team.

ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY – SAVE THE DATE

This will be held on **WEDNESDAY 28TH MAY AT 7.30PM IN THE DOVE SUITE AT THE ARK**. A representative has been confirmed to give a presentation on the History of Tulleys Farm. This should be an interesting evening so please do come along!

CIVIC AWARD

At our recent meeting we were delighted to present the 2024 Civic Award to Stuart Beare from Tulleys Farm. This was in recognition for the help and support he offers to both the Parish Council and organisations throughout the village.



REPORTING ISSUES WITH ROADS OR PAVEMENTS

To report an issue with a road or pavement, such as a pothole, flooding, drainage issues or overgrown vegetation, residents should use West Sussex County Council's online reporting form:

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/make-an-enquiry-or-report-a-problem-with-a-road-or-pavement/>

This creates a direct enquiry for officers, enabling them to investigate the issue.

In an emergency, call 01243 642105. This number is monitored 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

SENIOR RAIL CARDS

The Parish Council has a batch of discount codes. If you are looking to purchase or renew a senior railcard, please contact the Parish Council (details above) to obtain a promotional code. The rail cards can be applied for online or over the telephone (**but NOT at a train station**). www.senior-railcard.co.uk or 0345 3000 250.

**Please note that Senior Citizen bus passes are provided by West Sussex County Council and not by Turners Hill Parish Council.*

CLUBS AT THE ARK

The Ark hosts a number of regular clubs; a copy of the club list can be found on the various noticeboards in The Ark building, the noticeboard in the Centre of the Village and on the Turners Hill Parish Council website on this link:

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At St Leonard's on 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, and at All Saints' on 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month (months with a 5th Sunday will also alternate).

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Ash Wednesday 5th March
7pm at St Leonard's Turners Hill

Mothering Sunday 30th March
10am at All Saints' Crawley Down

Palm Sunday 13th April
10am at All Saints' Crawley Down

Maundy Thursday 17th April
7pm at St Leonard's Turners Hill

Good Friday 18th April
9.30am Morning Prayer at St Leonard's Turners Hill
2pm Stations of the Cross at All Saints' Crawley Down

Easter Sunday 20th April
7am Sunrise Communion at St Leonard's Turners Hill
10am Family Celebration and Communion at All Saints'

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During April and May, please remember the following in your prayers :

	Parish Church	Roads in Village	Organisations in Village	Charities supported by church
6 Apr	All Saints	Felcot Road and Chesterfield Close	Former residents of Crawley Down	Happy Home Orphanage, India
	St Leonard's	Withypitts East	Turners Hill Village C of E School	Family Support Work
13 Apr	All Saints	Fernandy Lane	Local environmental groups	Mothers' Union
	St Leonard's	Back Lane	Little Oaks Pre-School	Crawley Open House
20 Apr	All Saints	Fernhill Close	Auchinleck Court	Scripture Union
	St Leonard's	Church Road	Tiny Tekkers Activity Group	St Catherine's Hospice
27 Apr	All Saints	Field Drive	All Saints' Church & The Glebe Centre	Link to Hope Shoe Box Appeal
	St Leonard's	Clockfield	Arts Society	Family Support Work
4 May	All Saints	Forest Close	The Monastery of the Holy Spirit, Crawley Down	Torch Trust
	St Leonard's	East Street	1st Turners Hill & Crawley Down Scouts Group	Crawley Open House
11 May	All Saints	Furnace Farm Road	Copthorne Chapel	Bible Society
	St Leonard's	Hill House Close	Former residents of Turners Hill	St Catherine's Hospice
18 May	All Saints	Gage Close	Roman Catholic Community	Care for the Family
	St Leonard's	Lion Lane	Girlguiding in Turners Hill	Family Support Work
25 May	All Saints	Grange Road and Grange Crescent	Worth Parish Council (WPC)	Christian Aid
	St Leonard's	Medway	Hilltop WI	Crawley Open House

COPTHORNE CHAPEL

With Spring well and truly with us at last we are now concentrating on events for the coming season.

On Saturday 22nd March we are holding a Sierra Leone Day to celebrate our connection with our friends over there. Janet O'Shea, the Connexional President, will be giving us a talk on Sierra Leone together with slides and details of her visits there. We will start at 1.30pm with light refreshments and finish later with tea. **All welcome to attend but please phone Jenny Martin on 01342 713128 if you need further details.**

We then move on to Easter with David Ansell taking both our Good Friday and Easter Sunday services at 10.30am, followed by refreshments, all as detailed on the Chapel website

www.copthornechapel.org.uk

We wish all readers a blessed and peaceful Easter.

Celia Smart, Secretary, 01343 713172

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WORTH ABBEY NEWS

April - May 2025

PARISH EVENTS

Saturday 12th July : Celebration of the 50th anniversary of the dedication of the Abbey Church.

ACTIVITIES FOR LENT

Stations of the Cross : every Friday in church at 7.15pm until 11th April. They normally last about forty minutes

Adoration : in Church on Wednesdays from 2.30 till 3.30, as usual

Service of Reconciliation at Worth : on Monday 14th April at 7.30 pm

At the time of going to print, Easter Mass times have not been finalised so please refer to the Worth Abbey website for up-to-date information

REGULAR EVENTS

Mass Times : Saturday 9am (Concelebrated) and 5pm (First Mass of Sunday), Sunday 9.30am, Daily Mass 5.30pm (Concelebrated),

Holy Days of Obligation and Feast Day : 5.30pm

Confessions (Sacrament of Reconciliation) : in the Church on Sundays from 8.45am- 9.15am (or please make an appointment with Fr Paul)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament : Every Sunday at 6.30pm in the Church after Vespers

Rosary Group : 7.10-8pm on Mondays in the Abbey Church after Vespers. Please contact Rachel Davies on 07801 696354

Lectio Divina : 8pm on Tuesday evenings via Zoom. Please email jenny_chapman@sky.com or speak to her after any weekend Mass

Christian Meditation Group : 7pm in the Unity Room. Please email Richard at rbrownd1@gmail.com. Next Date : 23rd April

Vigil for Vocations : 1st Friday, after Compline, 8.30pm – 9pm

Bible Study : 11am on Mondays in St Benedict's (Parish Office)

If you are unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion at home, or if you have any prayer intentions, please let Fr Paul know.

Cheques : to be made payable to "Worth Abbey Parish"

In Touch: If you would like anything to appear in "In Touch", please contact Maria Stribbling at parish@worth.org.uk (by 10am on Wednesday)

SAFE SPACES: 0300 303 1056 **Web:** www.safespacesenglandandwales.org.uk

Email: safespaces@victimsupport.org.uk

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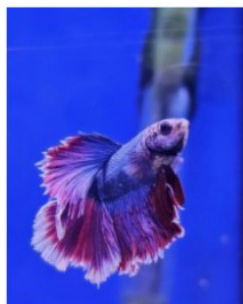


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